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LIKELY TO OPEN IN DECEMBER.

PEAK HOSPITAL TO CLOSE DOWN.

A magnificent modern hospital, with an imposing exterior, equipped with almost every facility known to medical science, and representing the completion of Hongkong's wonderful tribute to the heroes of the Great War, will, it is hoped, be officially opened on December 1 next.

The War Memorial Hospital on Mount Kellett Ridge has attracted considerable attention lately as the work of construction has been drawing to an end, some surprise having been evoked by the magnitude of the project.

The opening of the hospital will practically synchronise with the closing of the Peak Hospital, the property of Mr. J. E. Joseph, the well-known local financier. Lent to the Government at a time of difficulty, the Peak Hospital property will be returned when the new hospital is ready to receive patients.

Sir Paul Chater's Plan.

The developments which led up to the construction of a hospital as a War Memorial are worthy of record. In 1920, it was decided, as an initial step to erect the Cenotaph in front of the Hongkong Club, and in 1921, Sir Paul Chater assumed the Chairmanship of the Committee which was controlling the large sum remaining from public subscriptions, immediately sponsoring a scheme for the erection of an up-to-date Nursing Home.

After troublesome times regarding the question of the site, and the Stubbs Road site had been abandoned for that on Mount Kellett Ridge, the foundation stone of the new edifice was laid in April last year.

Good Progress.

The work of erecting and equipping the War Memorial Hospital has progressed steadily, and is now nearing completion. According to an official of the Hospital Committee, it is confidently expected that the new building will be declared open on December 1.

The Hospital, which is designed to accommodate about 50 patients, is spacious, commodious, and completely up-to-date in equipment, including an X-Ray department and an Operating Theatre. It will be controlled by an entirely new staff, including European medical officers and nursing sisters.

In the course of enquiries a Telegraph representative gleaned the information that upon the opening of the War Memorial Nursing Home, the Peak Hospital would cease to exist. The present staff will be absorbed by the various Government Hospitals, and the property will be handed back to Mr. J. E. Joseph.

Sir Claude Sevren's Tribute.

H. E. the Officer Administering the Government (Sir Claude Sevren) in revealing to the Legislative Council in 1922 the generous gesture of Mr. Joseph, said, *inter alia* that Mr. Joseph had bought the property known as the Peak Hospital and by an act of great generosity had handed it over to the Government as a Nursing Home for such period as they wished. By so doing, Mr. Joseph had relieved a very difficult situation, as the previous owners of the Hospital had determined to close it by the end of the month.

The Government had taken responsibility for seeing that the property was put in thoroughly good order, and when the Nursing Home, which was to be erected as part of the War Memorial of the Colony, was ready, it was proposed to hand back the property to Mr. Joseph to deal with as he wished.

He was sure that the hon. members would wish to be placed on record the appreciation which they, as representatives of the community, if not the most likely, is as follows:

It is said that Admiral Yang, the Chairman of the Provincial

JOURNALIST'S FAMILY IN CROSSING SMASH.

MR. LILIUS'S CAR WRECKED.

WIFE AND CHILD BOTH BADLY HURT.

MANILA MISHAP.

Aleko Lilius, journalist and traveller, who spent some time in Hongkong, his wife and four-year-old child were sent to Saint Paul's Hospital in Manila last week, suffering from serious injuries sustained in a level crossing smash at the intersection between Pila and Calauan, Laguna, while enroute to Pagsanjan.

Mr. Lilius is not very seriously injured, with cuts on the head and a broken nose, but Mrs. Lilius and the child are very badly hurt. Mrs. Lilius sustained cuts about the head, a broken leg, and possible internal injuries while the child has three fractures of each leg and several other wounds.

En route to Pagsanjan.

The party left Manila for Pagsanjan, where Mr. Lilius wanted to show the falls to his family, who arrived about a month ago from Sweden. Mrs. Lilius, who is also a writer, and the child arrived to join Mr. Lilius who has decided to reside in the Philippines indefinitely.

They were riding in a roadster, owned and driven by Mr. Lilius and came to the railway crossing, where the accident took place at 10:30 a.m. According to Mr. Lilius, the train did not whistle nor make any signal. Furthermore, there was no watchman nor any

Thrown From Car.

Just as they got astride the tracks, it was struck by the train. The crash sent the car into an embankment, shattered to pieces and completely wrecked. Mrs. Lilius and the child were thrown out of the car, but Mr. Lilius remained in it until he was able to extricate himself from the mass.

They were picked up by a passing motorist and taken to the Canlaba Sugar Central at Canlubang where first aid treatment was given. They were then taken to the Calauan hospital where they were treated by Dr. M. O. Marfori. (Continued on Page 7.)

WHAT THE ORACLE TOLD THE ADMIRAL.

Law Enforced To Turn Fukien Vegetarian.

It is doubtful if history contains a precedent, writes Kushun Mont-Telegaph's Foochow correspondent, for an extraordinary state of affairs existing in Foochow city last year and asked for light as to why everything was going wrong in poor Fukien.

The oracle replied, first, that a monument recently erected at the South Gate must be removed, and second, that the killing of cows into a sort of limited vegetarianism.

The monument was actually moved, and is now at the entrance to the public playground where the Athletic Sports have recently been held; and not long after the prohibition against killing of cows was put into effect.

It must be confessed that even those who might most respect the religious faith of a leading man who holds to his creed, in these secularist days, do not see any immediate result in the direction of alleviating the sufferings of the unfortunate populace.

It now appears that not only cows, but even pigs are to be spared, and that the Fukienese will have to do without their much valued pork. Chickens and mutton and even goats' flesh have naturally gone up in price. One wonders where else could be found a province or place of any sort where people were being made vegetarians by law.

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Betting Tax for F.M.S.

Two Per Cent. Duty to be Imposed.

TOTE AND SWEEPS.

The Government of the Federated Malay States, faced with a problem similar to that of the Hongkong Government, namely the discovery of sources of new revenue, has decided to put into force a betting tax.

This is a tax which has been suggested for the Colony. A message from Kuala Lumpur disclosed that the bill imposing the betting tax will be introduced at the next meeting of the Federal Council. The Bill will provide for a two per cent. duty on bets made on the totalisator at race meetings, and also on sweeps promoted by racing clubs or associations.

The new amendment to the Stamp Enactment is as follows:—

"On every bet made on any totalisator or pari-mutuel promoted by any racing club or association exempted under section 16 of the Betting Enactment, 1913, and on every contribution towards any sweep promoted by such racing club or association there shall be charged a duty of two per cent. of the amount paid or contributed.

Onus on Secretaries.

"The secretary of any such racing club or association shall draw up a statement of the amounts received as bets on each race and of the amounts contributed to each sweep and shall affix thereto stamps to the value of the duty chargeable under this section. The statement herein referred to shall, within fifteen days after the last day of any race-meeting held by such racing club or association, be delivered to the collector who shall cancel the stamps thereon in the manner provided by section 6 (i) of this enactment.

"The collector may at all reasonable times require the production of any books, accounts, vouchers or other documents relating to any totalisator, pari-mutuel or sweep promoted by any such racing club or association within his jurisdiction.

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YOUTHFUL RED SENT TO GUILLOTINE.

MURDER OF AGENT OF SURETE.

CLOSING SCENES AT SAIGON TRIAL.

"NOT A GAMIN."

Saigon (Received To-day). Rather pathetic scenes marked the closing stages of the trial of Nguyen Hui, who was sentenced to death for shooting and killing Inspector Legrand, of the Surete, during a demonstration last month.

The tragic feature of the case was the extreme youth of the accused, an admitted Communist.

He paid the extreme penalty of the law at the age of 17 years.

During the proceedings, the Criminal Court was closely guarded by military and police.

The facts of the crime were cited by the Public Prosecutor, (Mr. Lafrique) stating that Inspector Legrand, endeavouring to arrest a speaker at a revolution meeting convened under cover of a football match, was shot by Nguyen Hui, whose avowed purpose was to shoot down any Surete agent who might interfere with the speaker.

Caught in the Act.

Legrand collapsed, exclaiming "They have wounded me." Nguyen Hui was seized by another French officer, the revolver, smoke still issuing from the muzzle, in his hand.

Evidence of the shooting of Inspector Legrand was given by four Surete agents, after which accused said he was 13 when he came into contact with the Anamite revolutionary, known under the name of Le Bachetey Hua. He was then sent from Indo-China to a revolutionary school at Canton.

Hongkong Congress.

He said he was present at the famous secret Congress of all Anamite revolutionary parties at Hongkong in 1929. He was 15 years old when he attended the Congress, which was prelude to the revolution, short-lived, but attended by much bloodshed, in January of the following year. He was easily the youngest revolutionary at the fateful conference.

When the Congress decided on a mutiny of native troops and to create in Indo-China a new Communist Party, Nguyen Hui was sent to Saigon with several companions. He arrived there in August 1929.

The President: You were provided with money by the Communist Party?—Yes.

Nguyen Hui soon became a chief of the local "cell".

The President: Where is the headquarters of that "cell"?

The accused: I cannot tell you that.

Unrepentant.

The President: Will you tell me who your Chiefs are?

Accused (laconically): No.

The President: You are young; do you know what you are doing?

Accused: I know perfectly well what I do.

P.—You desired to kill?

A.—Yes, I intended to kill.

P.—Who told you to kill?

A.—Nobody. It was my role.

P.—Where did you buy the revolver?

A.—At Saigon, from a person now dead.

The Public Prosecutor, in his final address to the Court, said a year ago when other revolutionaries were on trial, they were not yet Communists. To-day it was a purely Communist affair which they had to judge. It was an affair engineered by agents of Moscow to demonstrate the spirit of discipline.

"No Gamin."

"For me," said the Public Prosecutor, "there can be no doubt regarding the question of pre-meditation." The accused said he went there to kill. This young assassin, raised in a Communist school at Canton, and also

War Imminent in N. China.

Kuominchun Break Out Again.

WHILE IRON IS HOT.

Shanghai, May 17. While confirmation is lacking, reports are current that hostilities between the armies under General Shih Yu-shan and Sun Tien-ying, two ex-Kuominchun Divisional Commanders controlling Honan and Shantung, and troops under the command of Marshal Chiang Kai-shek's Divisional Commanders are imminent.

Generals Shih and Sun have disobeyed the National Government's recent instructions regarding the disposition of their forces, and General Shih has moved his main body into northern Honan and is clearly preparing for war.

Nationalist Regiments under Gen. Liu Min-yin are only thirty miles from Gen. Shih's troops and in the event of a failure of negotiations between Generals Shih and Sun and the Nanking Government regarding disbandment in Shantung, a rupture is considered inevitable.

A report from one source states that elsewhere along the Peking-Hankow Railway fighting has broken out between Nanking and rebellious forces. There is no doubt that the truculent northern forces are seeking to take advantage of the Canton revolt to squeeze funds out of Nanking.

ARMY OFFICER MISSING.

PONY RETURNS HOME RIDERLESS.

BURMA INCIDENT.

Rangoon, May 18. Considerable alarm is felt for the safety of Lieutenant Colonel H. T. Morshead, of the Royal Engineers, whose pony has returned riderless to Maymyo, which is in the "rebel" zone.

It is feared that Col. Morshead has fallen victim to a tribal attack. Colonel Morshead, who did good work in connexion with the survey of India before the War, during which he served in Flanders, was a member of the Mount Everest Expeditions of 1921 and 1922.

In 1921, he was a member of the party which camped twenty-five thousand feet up Mount Everest. He is a Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society.—Reuters.

TEXTILE COMBINE FORMED.

MANCHESTER SHIPPING HOUSES ACT.

London, May 18. In an attempt to meet the rapid fall of the textile trade in the Far East, a number of well-known Manchester shipping houses are forming a combine, to be known as "Motco" (Manchester Overseas Trade Company).

It is expected that the combine will reduce overhead costs and effect considerable cuts in freight charges, thus enabling them to offer lower priced goods in India, China, Burma and Siam.

The combine's experts will pool their knowledge for the purpose of this scheme.—Reuters.

GERMANY STANDS FIRM.

TO PERSEVERE WITH CUSTOMS UNION.

Geneva, May 18. At midnight, after long deliberations, the German delegation to the League of Nations Council announced that both Austria and Germany are determined to persevere with their proposals for an Austro-German customs union, in spite of the French arguments.

However, troop movements were not relaxed, and over 5,000 of General Chan's troops were finally assembled under the command of a subordinate for an encircling attack on Whampoa. A squadron of aeroplanes conducted an intensive

GENERAL ESCAPES IN DISGUISE.

THRILLING STORY OF WHAMPOA BATTLE.

FUGITIVE COMMANDER MAKES WAY TO HONGKONG.

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SOLDIER HAS TWO SENTENCES.

FOR DESERTION AND FOR ASSAULT.

The experience of having a military term of detention as well as a civil sentence of imprisonment at one and the same time, fell to the lot of Private Robert Keenan, who was before Mr. Hamilton, at the Kowloon Magistrate on Saturday morning, and sent to goal on a charge of assault.

The difficulty which arose as a result of the civil penalty imposed, was discussed at length by Mr. Hamilton and an officer of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, of which Regiment Keenan is a private. His Worship pointed out that prisoner having been brought before a civil court, he (the magistrate) could not take cognizance of any military sentence passed on the man. If he had appreciated the position before the defendant was tried, he could have remanded the accused from week to week until such time as his military term had expired.

The defendant was charged on two counts, the first that he caused grievous bodily harm and, alternatively, that he assaulted Lau Hon-ying, an apprentice of the Kowloon Canton Railway, by striking him in the mouth with a stone at Holt's wharf on Wednesday morning.

In answer to the two counts the defendant said that he had thrown the stone in self-defence.

Prosecution's Story.

The complainant, in evidence, said that he had been in the latrine at Holt's Wharf at 10 a.m. on Wednesday last when the defendant went in and, after searching his pockets, struck him across the mouth and kicked his hand. The defendant was dressed in civilian clothes and, when witness ran out, he was followed by the defendant who threw a stone at him, striking witness in the mouth.

The complainant's father, who was a witness of the later part of the incident, corroborated his son, while the story was further substantiated by another workman of the railway.

On the complainant being recalled he stated, in reply to his Worship, that he attended an identification parade at the Shamshupoo Camp on Friday and picked out the defendant. Witness denied that he had stolen anything belonging to the defendant.

Detective Sub-Inspector A. H. Elston, who conducted the case for the Crown, remarked that that was the case but there was a Portuguese boy, who had given the defendant food whilst he was in hiding for a few days.

His Worship: That's not evidence.

Deserted His Regiment.

The defendant then elected to give evidence on oath. He said that the complainant and others had stolen his meat and clothing from a railway carriage in which he and another soldier had been sleeping.

His Worship: What were you doing in the carriage?

Witness: We had deserted from Camp.

Continuing, witness said that the day before the incident, the two soldiers had been given some meat by a Portuguese boy and the Chinese had been seen to steal it whilst the two men were having a swim. They had also lost their clothing and other articles.

Witness went into the latrine on Wednesday morning and searched the complainant to see whether he had any razor blades which had also been stolen. He found none but the complainant jumped up and ran out before accused was able to seize him. Not being able to catch him defendant "chucked" a stone at the complainant.

Pte. John Gilmar, who was called by the defendant to give evidence, said that he was with the

defendant when he deserted, and they had lived in one of the railway carriages. Witness went together with Keenan, into the latrine to search for the people who had stolen their goods. Witness chased one Chinese while the defendant pursued the complainant. Witness did not see anything of the alleged assaults.

Portuguese Witness.

The defendant said that he had a Portuguese witness who had been present.

Jerome Ozorio was then put into the witness box.

Before the witness gave evidence his Worship warned him that he was not bound to give any evidence which might incriminate him in the crime of assisting a deserter. His Worship did not know if the witness was aware that it was a crime to assist deserters but it was.

It transpired, however, that the witness was not the person who had been on the scene when the assault took place nor could he supply the name of the boy who had been there.

The defendant, in reply to his Worship, said that he did not wish to have remand to find the boy.

His Worship dismissed the first charge—but convicted—on—the second. After remarking that at the time of the occurrence the defendant, who was a deserter, was living where he had no right to, his Worship pointed out certain discrepancies in the evidence of the defendant and that of his witness. In any case, whether the complainant had taken the things or not the defendant had no right to throw a stone at him, which might have killed him.

"I don't know if you get away with a story like that in the Army," continued his Worship, "but you don't get away with it here. You told me a pack of lies."

His Worship said that he would give the defendant the option of a fine, imposing a penalty of \$25 or three weeks' hard labour, together with \$10 compensation or a further week.

Civil Sentence First.

The defendant's officer in court then mentioned that the defendant was undergoing a sentence in military custody for desertion and the Adjutant had asked that defendant be taken back to barracks after the case.

His Worship remarked that he was sorry but after having been brought before a civil court the defendant would have to serve his civil sentence first.

After further discussion, his Worship adjourned the case for five minutes, and, on returning, asked the defendant if he had any money at the Barracks to pay the fine.

The defendant replied in the negative.

His Worship remarked that he would have to go to prison, but pointed out that if at any time he could pay the fine or if the fine were paid, it would be in proportion to the length of sentence he had already served before payment was made. It was possible, continued his Worship, that the fine would be paid after the defendant had been in prison for a day or two. Having been given into the custody of the civil court his Worship could not now release him.

Addressing Sub-inspector Elston his Worship remarked that he thought the case should have been brought after the defendant had served his military sentence. He did not previously know that it was anything more than military custody that the defendant was in. He did not know he was under detention.

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TROOPS FIRE ON AN UNRULY MOB.

London, May 16.

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Two things were essential—some protection for the miners' wage standards, and the assurance on a reasonable period of peace to enable the industry to take full advantage of existing legislation, and of various schemes now under consideration by the owners.

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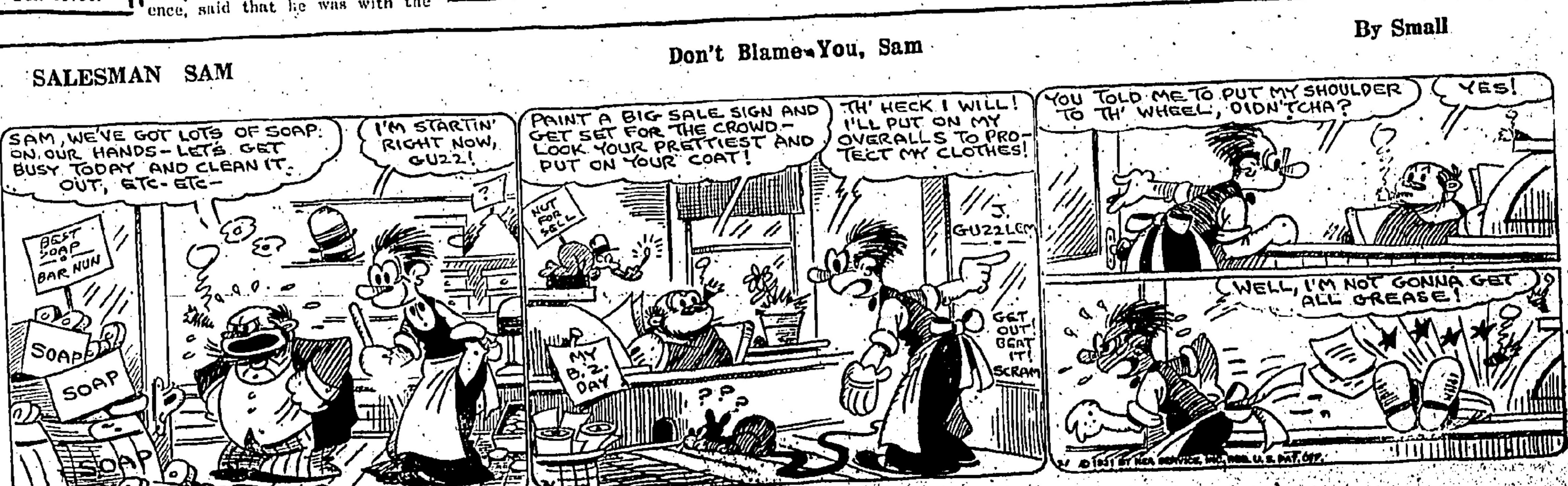
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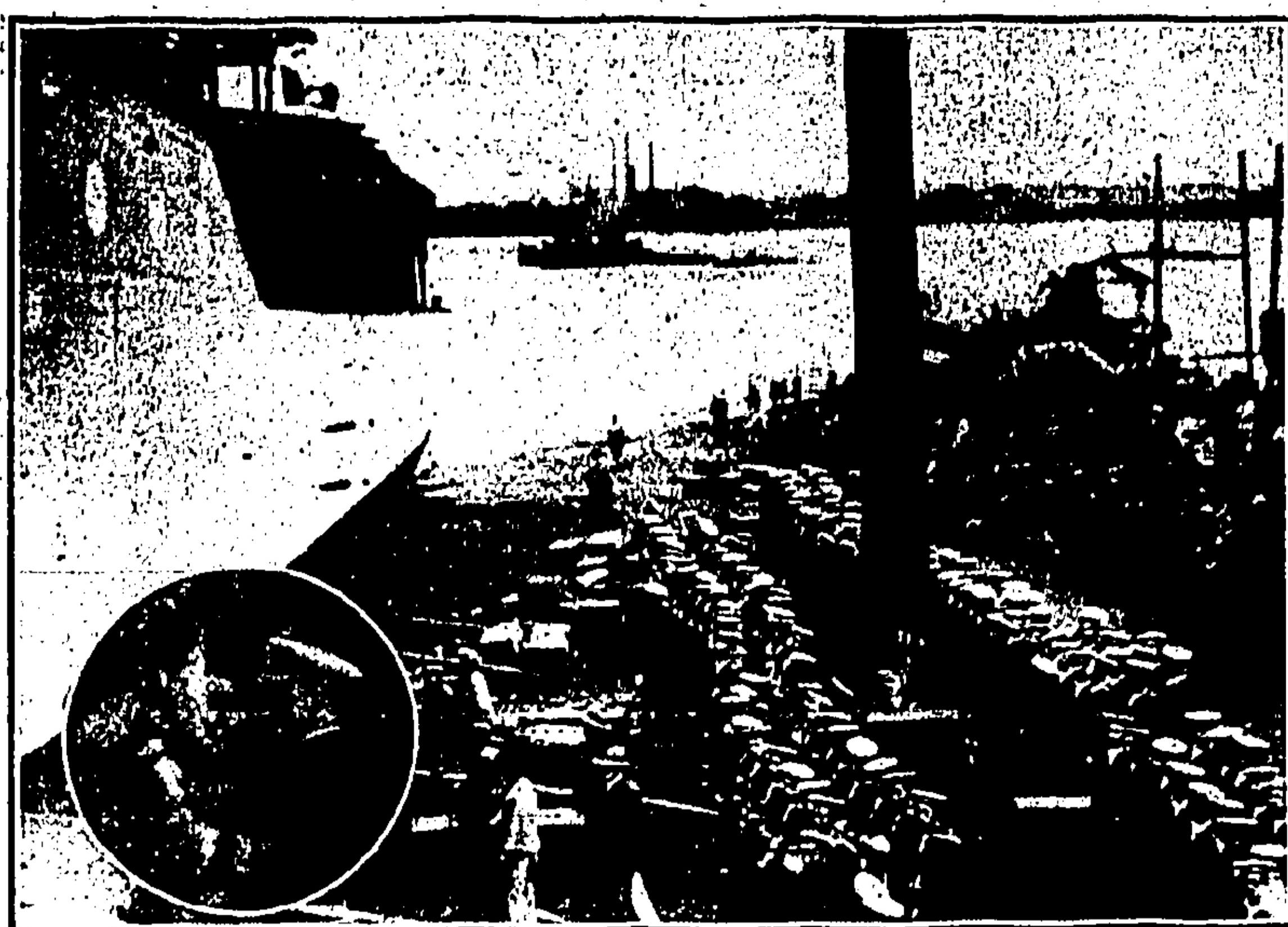
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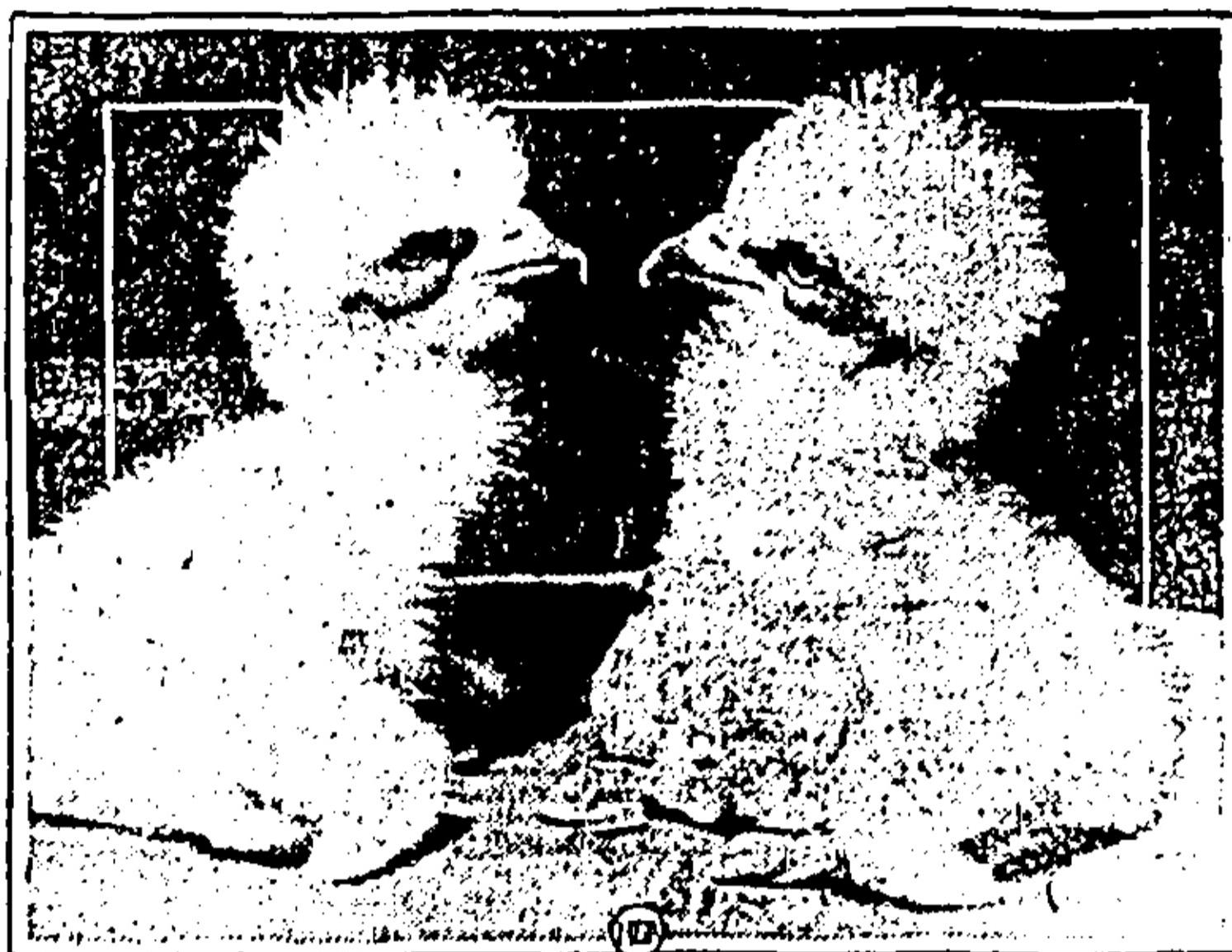




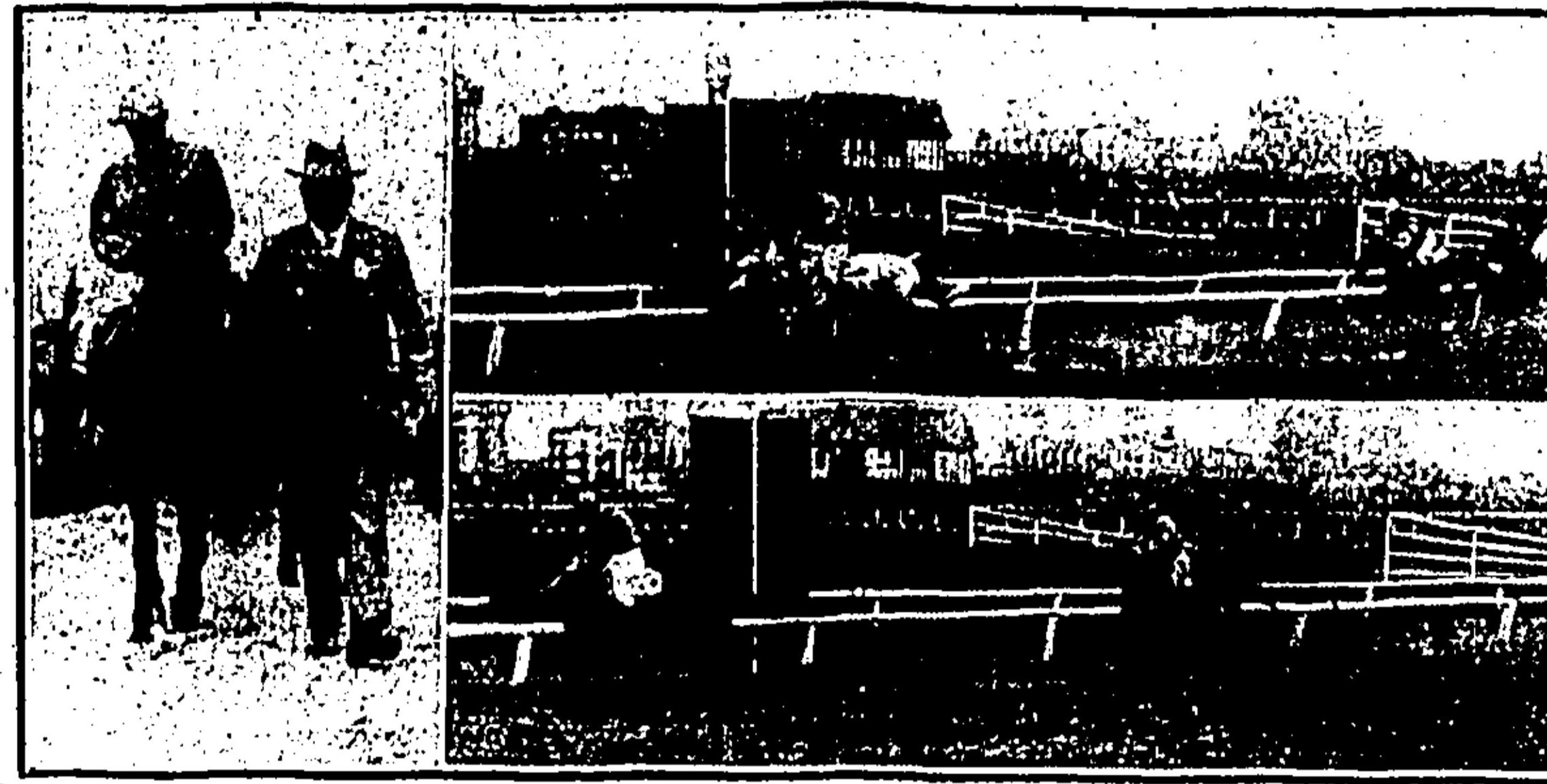
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Roberta Somple, daughter of Almro McPherson, taken on her honeymoon after her marriage to Mr. Smyth, purser of the Pros Wilson.



Members of the new Japanese Cabinet headed by Mr. Wakatsuki.



Clayton Woods, photographed immediately after he had learned that his Irish Sweep Ticket had obtained second place in the Grand National. Gregalach netted him \$800,000.



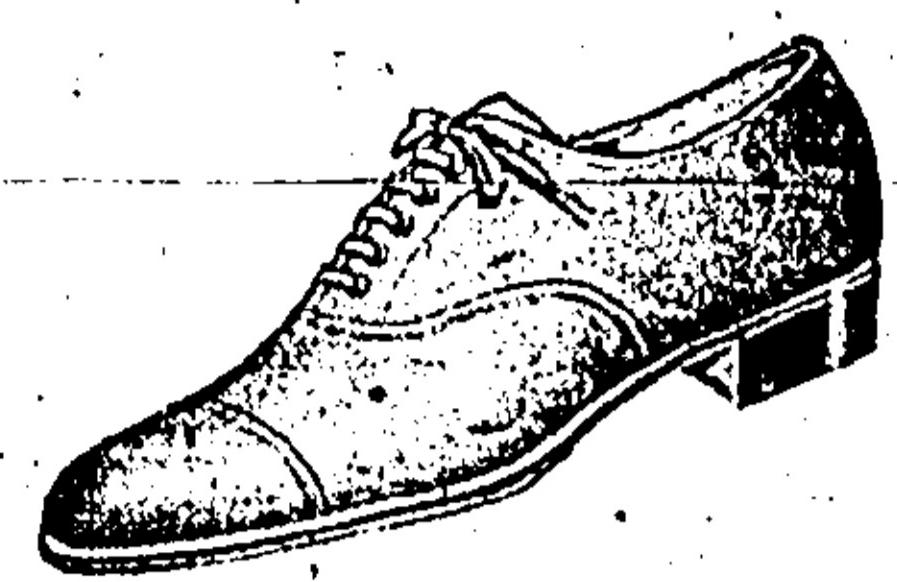
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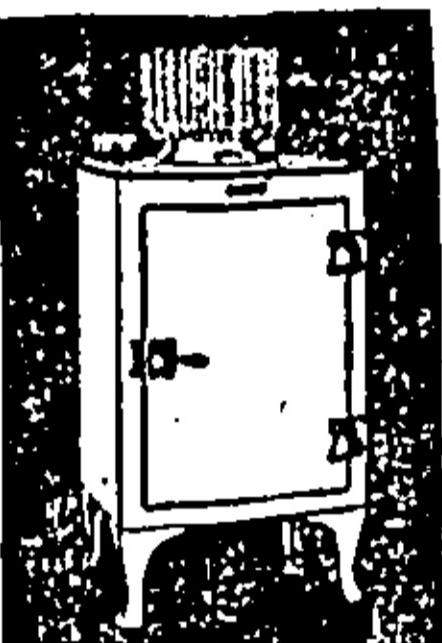
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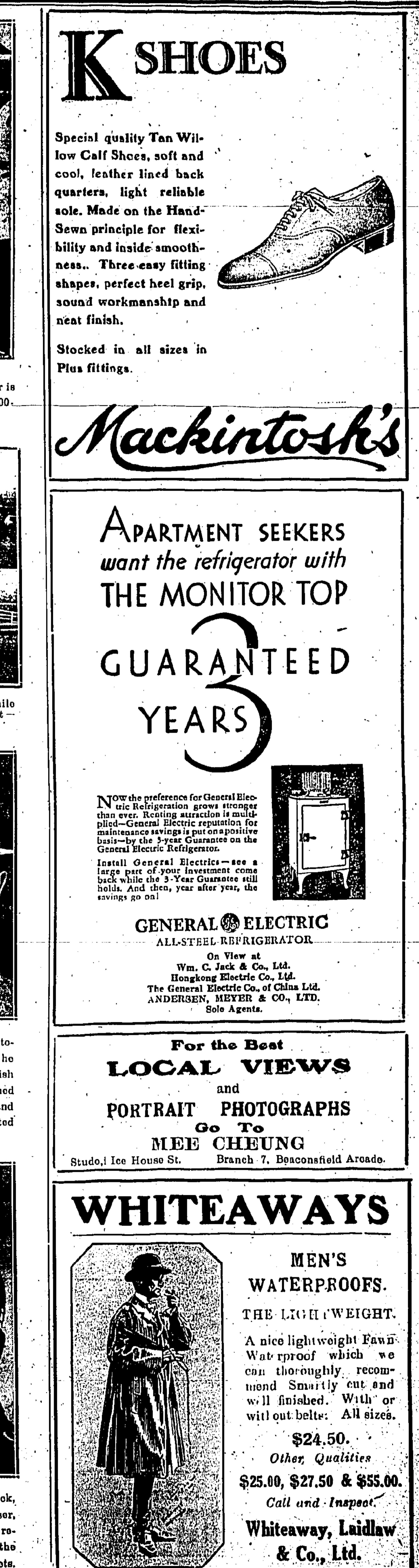
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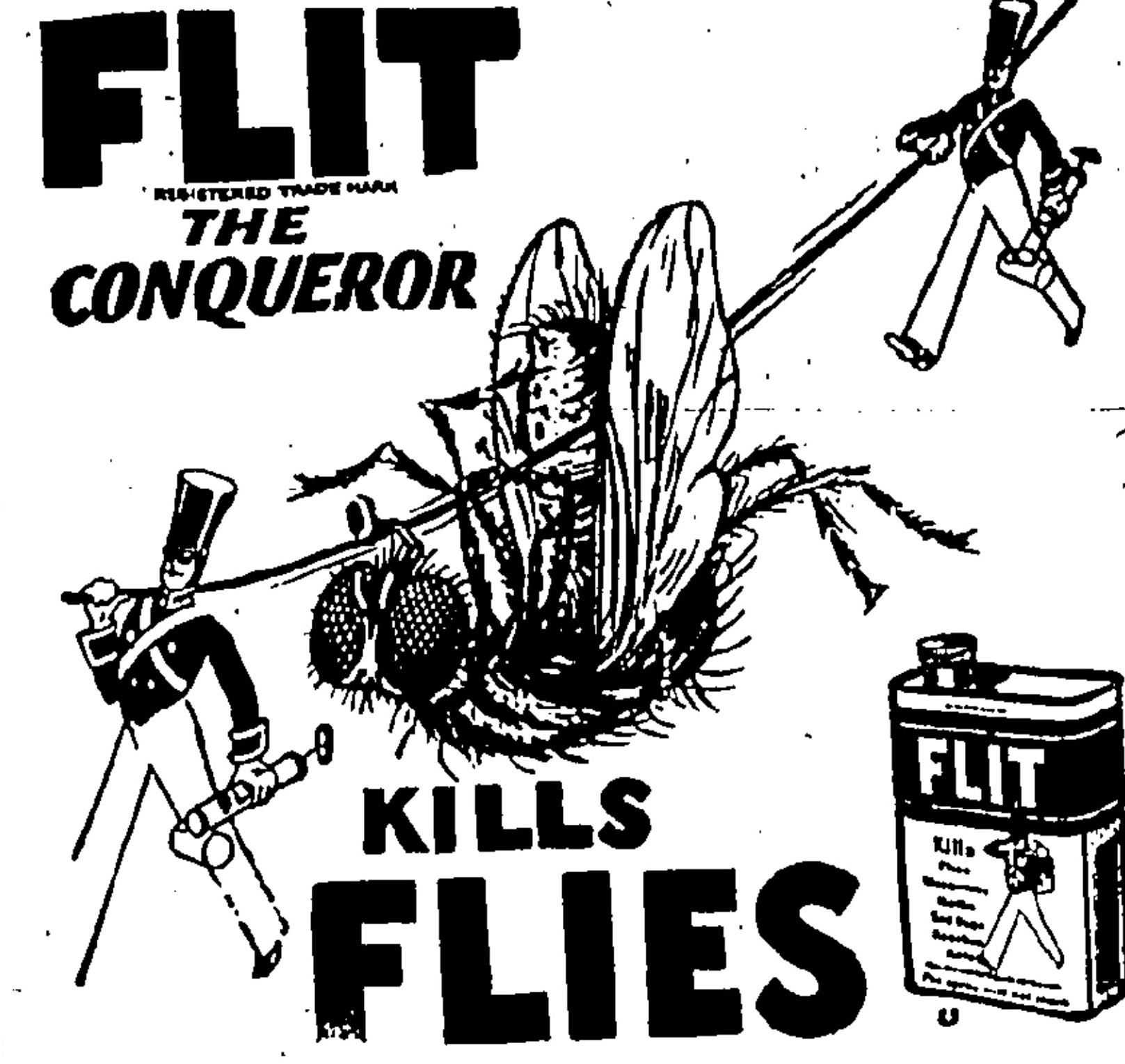
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 East Asia \$120 b.

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New Engineers, Tls. 6 n.

Shanghai Docks, Tls. 112 n.

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From	To	Per	Date	
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	(San Francisco, 24th April)			
and Europe via Siberia, (London, 30th April)				
Shanghai and Swatow	Pro. Pierce	May 18.		
Australia and Manila	Atsuta Maru	May 19.		
Manila	Fmps. of Japan	May 20.		
Amoy and Swatow	Van Heutsz	May 20.		
Straits	Santhia	May 20.		
Europe via Suez (letter and papers)	Ranpur	May 21.		
London, 23rd April) and parcels,	Tjissendari	May 21.		
Java and Manila	Kitano Maru	May 22.		
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(San Francisco 30th Apr.)	Comorin	May 22.		
Japan and Shanghai	U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai	May 22.		
(Seattle, 2nd May)	Pres. Taft	May 22.		
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai	Ilye Maru	May 24.		
(Seattle, 20th April)	Sphinx	May 26.		
Japan and Shanghai	Calcutta	May 26.		
Shanghai	Yashukuni Maru	May 27.		
Straits	(Vancouver, B. C. 9th May)	Emps. of Asia	May 27.	
Japan and Shanghai	Haruna Maru	May 29.		

OUTWARD MAILED.

For	To	Date and Time	
Nitto Maru	Mon., May 18, 3.30 p.m.		
Sam Shui and Wuchow	Mon., May 19, 4 p.m.		
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia	Tai Yin	Mon., May 18, 4.30 p.m.	
Straita and Calcutta	Sui Sang	Tues., May 19,	
	Parcels	May 19, 9 a.m.	
	Letters	May 19, 10 a.m.	
	Diamond	Tues., May 19, 10 a.m.	
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	Pres. Pierce	Tues., May 19, 4.30 p.m.	
	Foo Shing	Tues., May 19, 5 p.m.	
	Atsuta Maru	Wed., May 20, 9.30 a.m.	
	Tai Yuan	Wed., May 20, 3.30 p.m.	
	Deli Maru	Thurs., May 21, 10.30 a.m.	
	King Yuan Thura	May 21, 12.30 p.m.	
	Emps. of Japan	Sat., May 23.	
	Parcels	May 22, 4.30 p.m.	
	Registration	May 23, 9 a.m.	
	Letters	May 23, 10 a.m.	
	G.P.O.		
	Parcels	May 22, 5 p.m.	
	Registration	May 23, 9.45 a.m.	
	Letters	May 23, 10.30 a.m.	
	(Due Vancouver, B. C., 10th June.)		
	Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Comorin	Sat., May 23.
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		Letters	May 23, 9 a.m.
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		Registration	May 23, 9.45 a.m.
		Letters	May 23, 10.30 a.m.
		(Due Marseilles, 27th June.)	
	Manila, Australia and New Zealand	Kitano Maru	Sat., May 23.
	via Thursday Island	Registration	8.45 a.m.
		Letters	9.30 a.m.
	(Due Thursday Island 4th June.)		
	Japan and South American Ports	Eikyo Maru	Sat., May 23, 10 a.m.
	Foochow via Swatow	Chiphing	Sat., May 23, 5 p.m.
	Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Canton Maru	Sun., May 24, 9 a.m.
	East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Sphinx	Tues., May 26.
		K. P. O.	
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MELBA'S WEALTH.

FRIENDS ON THE ROMANCE OF HER WILL.

The announcement that Dame Nellie Melba's fortune amounted to £200,000 has caused some surprise in operatic circles.

"As Queen of the Opera and the most successful soprano in the world, we naturally looked upon her as an extremely wealthy woman," said a close business associate of Melba. "We fully expected that her fortune would prove to be much bigger, but, like most wealthy people, she suffered heavy losses during the war and in later investments in Australia."

Melba inherited nearly £250,000 on the death of her father.

Love for Pamela.

A romance of the will is that she left to Pamela, her 12-year-old granddaughter, her collection of jewels, valued at £14,000, most of which were the gifts of Royalties. Pamela, who is the daughter of Melba's son, Mr. George Armstrong, will eventually inherit the estate.

"Melba adored the child, as most children are adored by their grandparents," said her former West End agent. "She often mentioned her 'Dear Little Pamela' to her friends. As far as I am aware, the little girl has never been in England, although her parents visited London about two years ago."

Mr. Percy Eades, former secretary and business manager of the Grand Opera Syndicate, who is left £50 under the will, knew Melba intimately at Covent Garden for about 30 years.

Melba Tie-Pins.

"That is not the first gift I have received from Melba," he said. "Soon after I first went to Covent Garden she presented me with one of her famous Melba tie-pins. It was of gold and enamel, and bore her monogram. Some years later she asked: 'By the way, have you got a tie-pin?' I answered that she had already given me one. 'Then you must have another,' she said. The second tie-pin was a much more valuable one, with her monogram in diamonds and pearls. That was one of her ways of 'grading' her friendships. I believe she left tie-pins behind her in many parts of the world, and there are several in London."

Prima Donnas' Fortunes.

Melba left a big fortune compared with the other prima donnas of her time. Mme. Patti left £116,000, Mme. Alboni left only £117 10s., while Mme. Emmy Destinn died in poverty.

Caruso left property worth 20 million lire—nominally £1,200,000.

ELINOR GLYN'S CAT.

AND ETHEL MANNIN'S CONFESSION.

Mrs. Elinor Glyn spoke of women. Miss Ethel Mannin spoke of style and sex. Candide lay on the table and slept.

A cat, they say, may laugh at a king, so a literary cat, one assumes, may sleep at a bed-sitter.

Candide is a cat—Mrs. Elinor Glyn's favourite Persian. He was among the guests at Foyles' literary luncheon at the Criterion Restaurant.

He sat on Mrs. Glyn's lap, with two paws on the table, and he even maintained his poise when the fish course was served.

"Candide," said Mrs. Glyn, "is my expression of discipline. You cannot train a woman, we all know, but I wanted to see if it was possible to train a cat so that he absolutely obeys. I claim that Candide does so. He is really a psychic cat."

"Romanticism," said Miss Mannin, "makes you feel very good, but the sex interest lasts for ever, if you know what I mean."

Everybody (except Candide) looked very knowing.

WOMEN'S WORLD
FOR OUR LADY READERS.

Printed Fabrics Still in Favour.



A new spring afternoon frock is made of marocain with a modernistic design in white on a black background and trimmed with a new type of white pique collar and cuffs, with four shiny black buttons fastening the cuffs. A new evening gown features the new three-colour scheme in its print, which is pale green and pale pink on a black background, has a skirt made with the draped front that is a new note and a scarf type of decolletage.

A COMMON AFFLICTION.

On Doing One's Worst.

To be the admired of all holders is a natural desire shared by everyone who wishes to be pleasant in company. Yet some imp of perversity chooses just these occasions to provoke people to unmask their rustiest talents.

If there's one thing Mrs. Earnest can't do it's sing. The poor dear doesn't seem to realise it. She arrives at every party with a portfolio of selected songs, and someone is sure to be misguided enough to ask her to sing.

This time I'll conquer that handicap," we say and believe—till failure mocks us again. It is like indulging a morbid desire to alleviate a pain.

You know two friends. Jane has a flair for the right clothes. Joan is conscious that she lacks the same taste, but for that very reason she attempts to emulate Jane. She even copies Jane's colours and costumes, which are quite unsuitable for her. That only advertises Joan's defect.

Of course we refuse to surrender to our private foes, and fight them all along the line, but it is much better to carry on the struggle secretly than to court open defeat.

Perhaps we are not brilliant conversationalists. Then why try to shine at talking? Sympathetic listeners are rarer and more welcome. Let us exploit our gifts.

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of their own defects and as peevish at their own failure as anyone. There is something heroic in exposing the weakest joints of one's armour, but what of the partners who share in the inevitable defeat?

We all have this failing. Conscious of our weak points we are not content to cover them from others but drag them out to see if they really are so bad.

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TO-DAY'S RECIPES.

Apple Battery.

There are about as many ways of doing apples for human consumption as there are of cooking potatoes! Most of them quite woolly, this being one such simple thus: peel and fully core some big cookers, and put them into well-buttered ware-baking dish, which they should pretty well fill. Put a little dab of butter at bottom of each core-hole; fill up with treacle or golden syrup. Then pour over them a batter made from flour, egg, and a few drops of milk. Bake for about three-quarters of an hour, or forty-five minutes might be sufficient.

Jelly Salad.

A very pretty dish, and, being so, it is queer that one so seldom meets with it. Make a mixture of six tablespoomfuls of sugar, a breakfastcupful each of desiccated coconut and of minced celery, a couple of apples, skinned, cored, and chopped fairly fine, and the strained juice of two lemons. To this put enough cooled gelatinised water to ensure a jellified result. When it is showing a mind to become a jelly, put it into small moulds, wetted, and there let it remain until it is firm. Turn them out! Pour over them mayonnaise dressing; sprinkle with chopped parsley or don't do so. They make a dainty in-between course all by themselves, or they are excellent with any cold white meat or cold fowl.

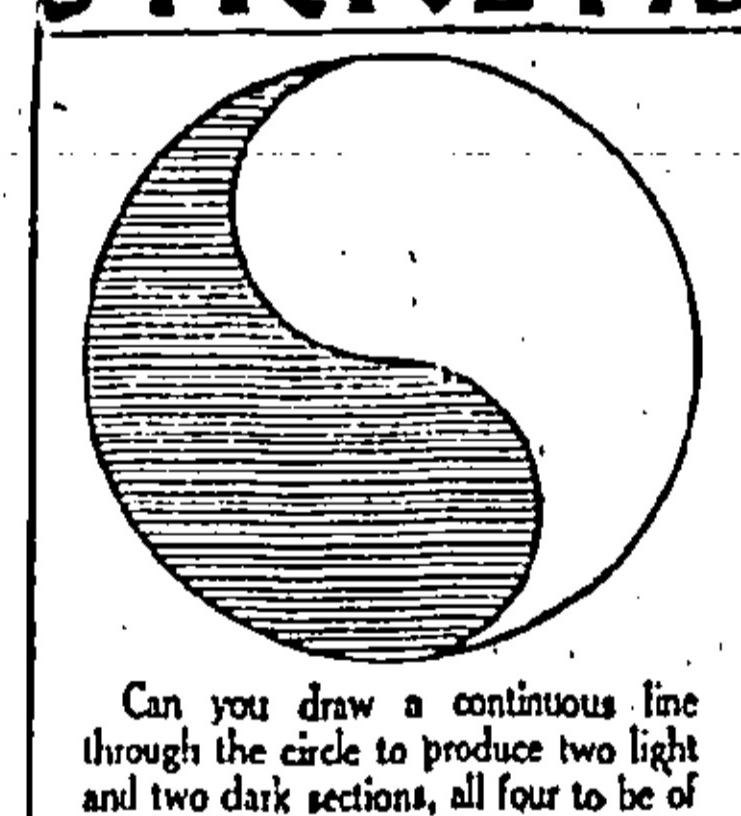
OATMEAL FOR THE FACE.

Oatmeal is cleansing and soothing to the skin, and is best used in this way. Put a teaspoomful into a bath glove, with a thick slice of lemon, without the rind. Steep this for an hour or two in cold water—or all night if required in the morning. Before use, squeeze the glove in the water in which it steeped and use the water in the ordinary way.

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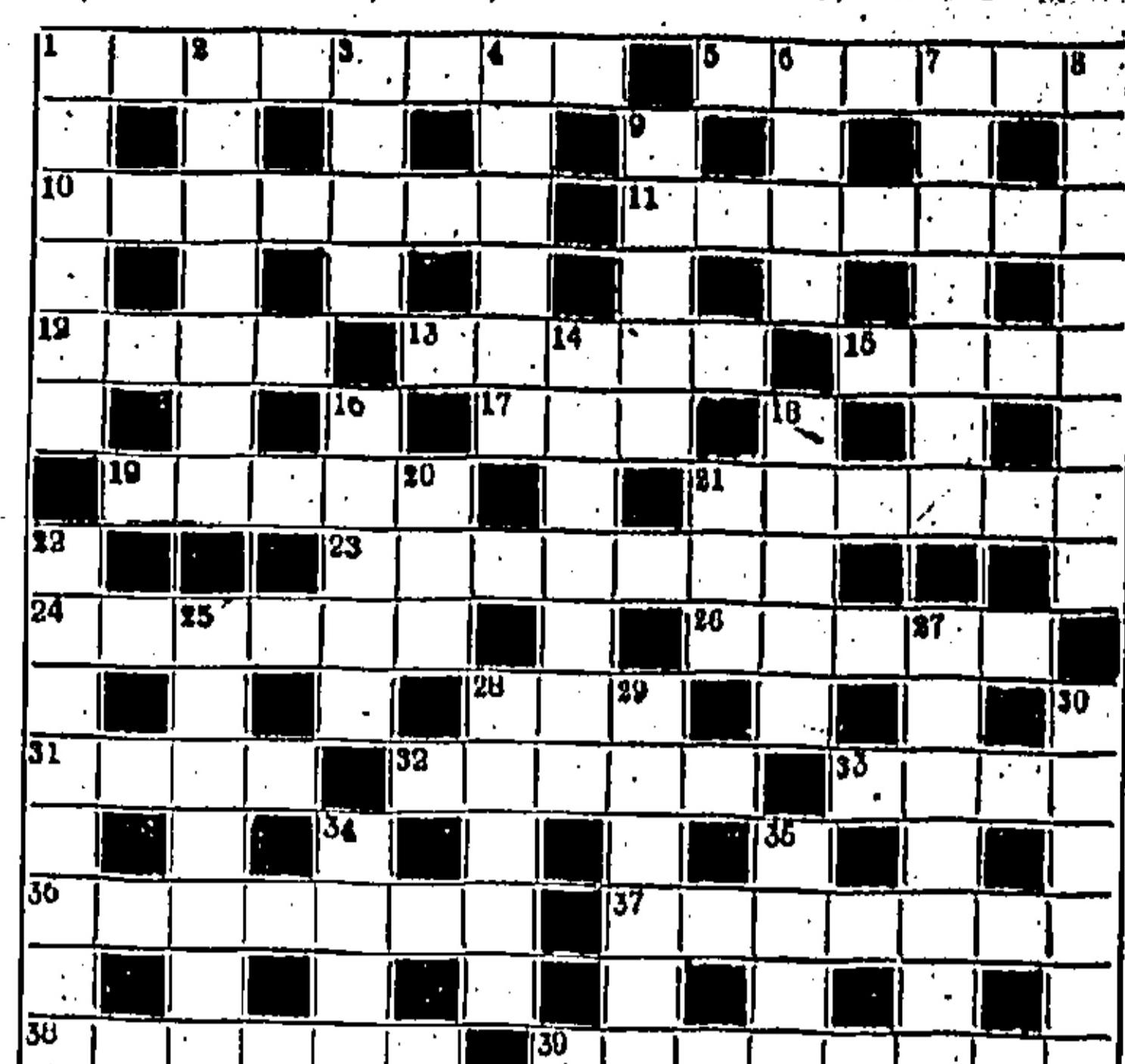


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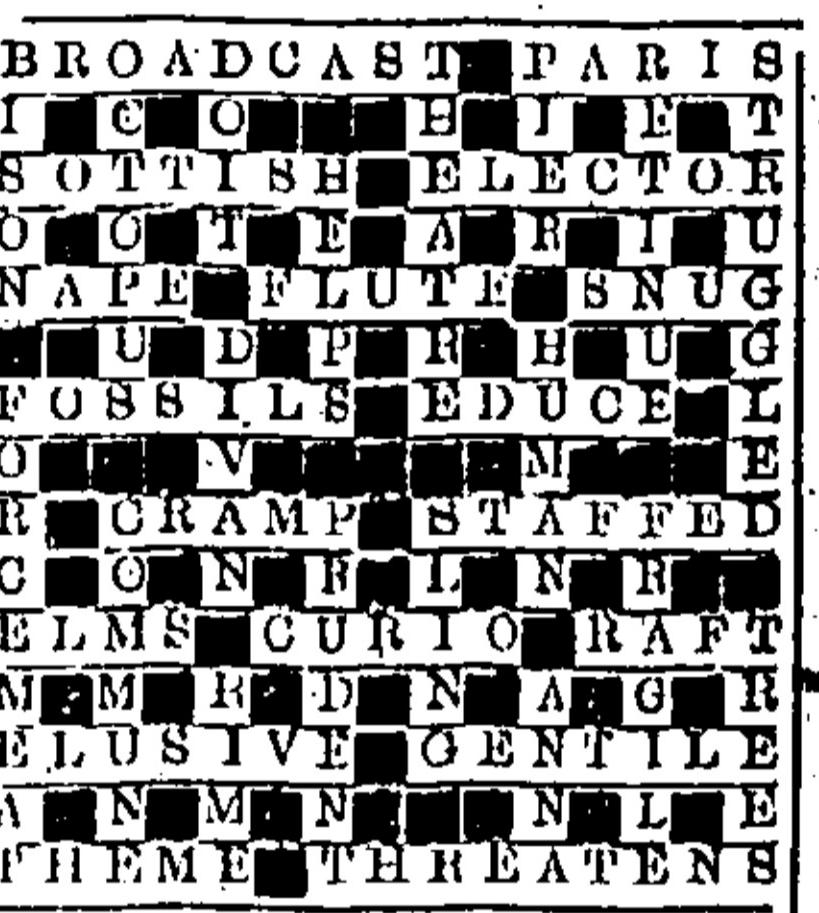
Can you draw a continuous line through the circle to produce two light and two dark sections, all four to be of the same shape and size?

OUR BRITISH CROSSWORDS.

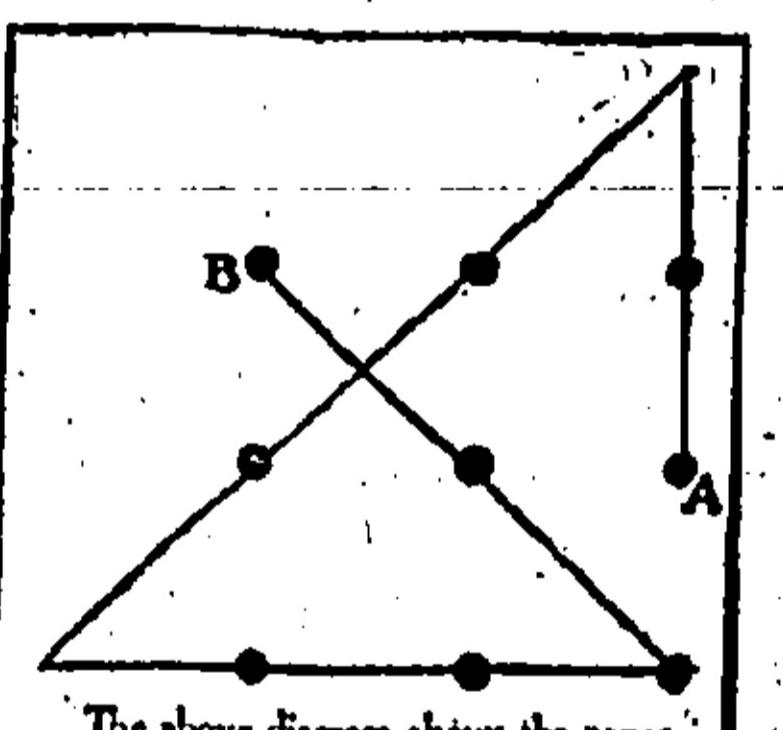


- 14 Go wrong in a bank, and perhaps in consequence run away at the finish.
16 A joint matter between head and shoulder.
18 Look out there is danger around the broken pier.
20 This drake has narcotic properties.
21 This pen may describe the kind of collar that cowboys used to give to horse-thieves.
22 The culprit is, obviously, from the guard.
25 Don't pull the first part of this beneficiary in front of a starting place.
27 The act is sharp set in spite of the instant portion.
28 A way in may be very hard and decidedly stony.
29 Not longer in the army, this officer goes to sea.
30 Quite an important matter on foot. In it Sal plays a divided part.
31 What part of a newspaper does one cover with buttons?
35 A little spot in the river—founded on lies.

Saturday's Solution.



Saturday's Solution.



The above diagram shows the paper boy's route in four straight lines, going from "A" to "B". This requires him to go out of bounds and consequently is not the shortest route, but it does not violate any conditions of the problem.

BIG STRIKE THREAT.

FRENCH WORKERS AGAINST LOWER PAY.

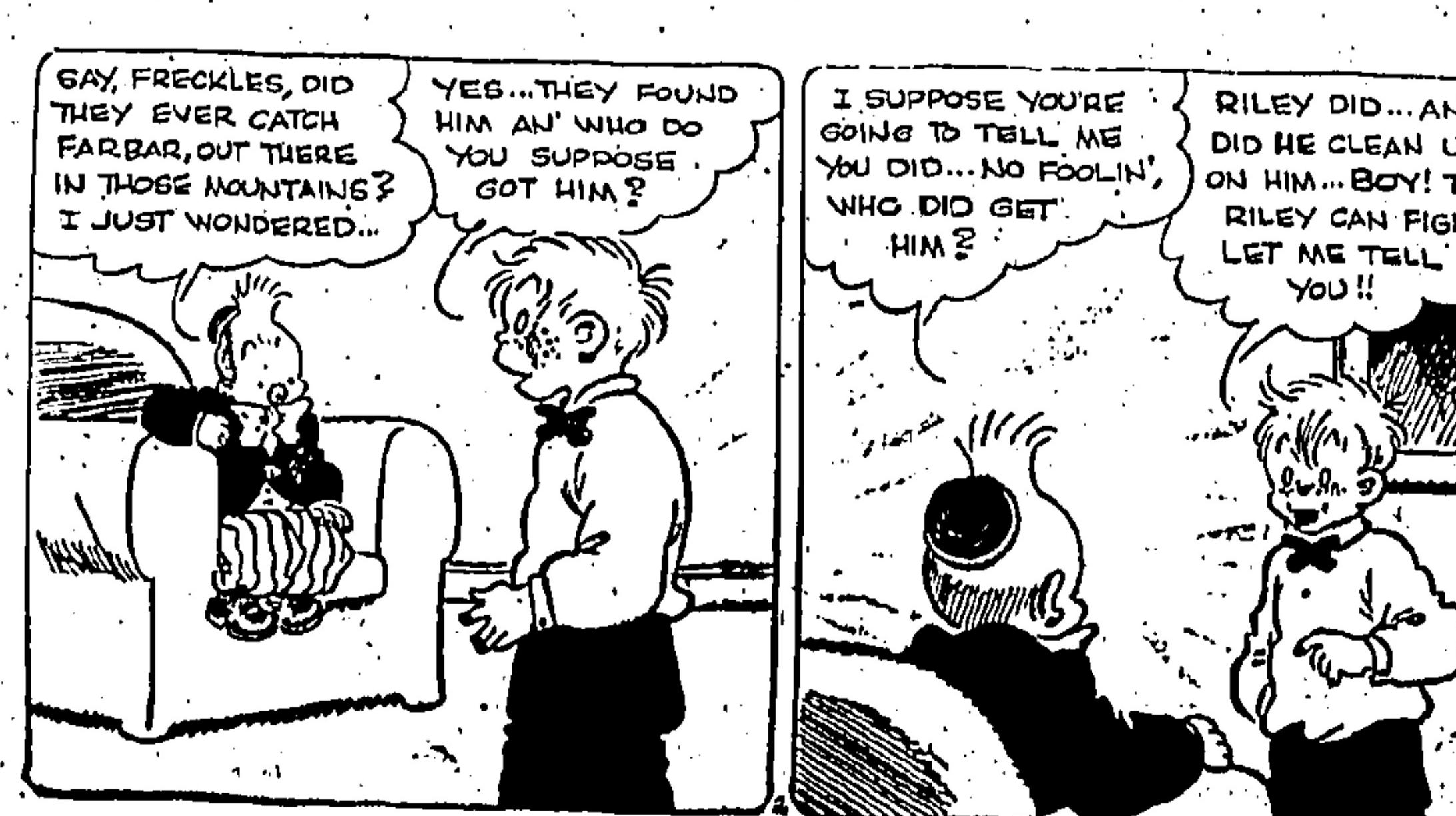
Roubaix, May 17. One hundred and twenty-five thousand workers in the Roubaix-Tourcoing zone have been ordered by the Textile and General Workers Union to strike on Monday, in opposition to the employers' proposals to reduce wages.

Gradually, the metal workers, transport workers, and engineers engaged in textile factories will support the strike.—Reuter.

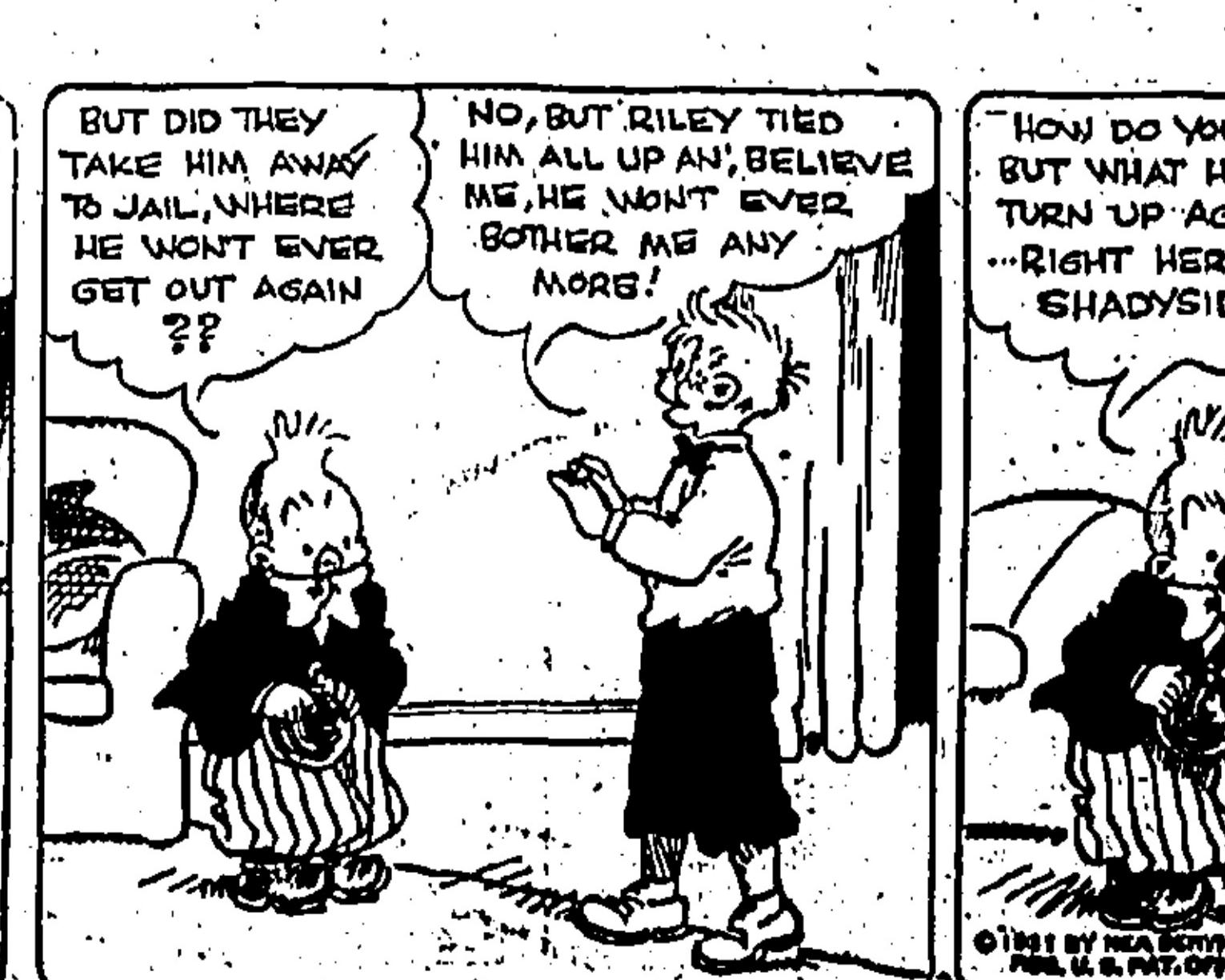
FOR PUBLIC USE RIGHTS OF MOUNTAIN AND MOOR.

London, May 16. The text of a Bill has been issued, backed by the members of three parties, with the object of securing to the public, the rights of free access to uncultivated mountain and moor land, for the purposes of recreation or artistic study, subject to provisions against abuse.—British Wireless.

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B-3789—Our Father (Tchaikovsky) Choir of the Russian Church of the Metropolitan of Paris.

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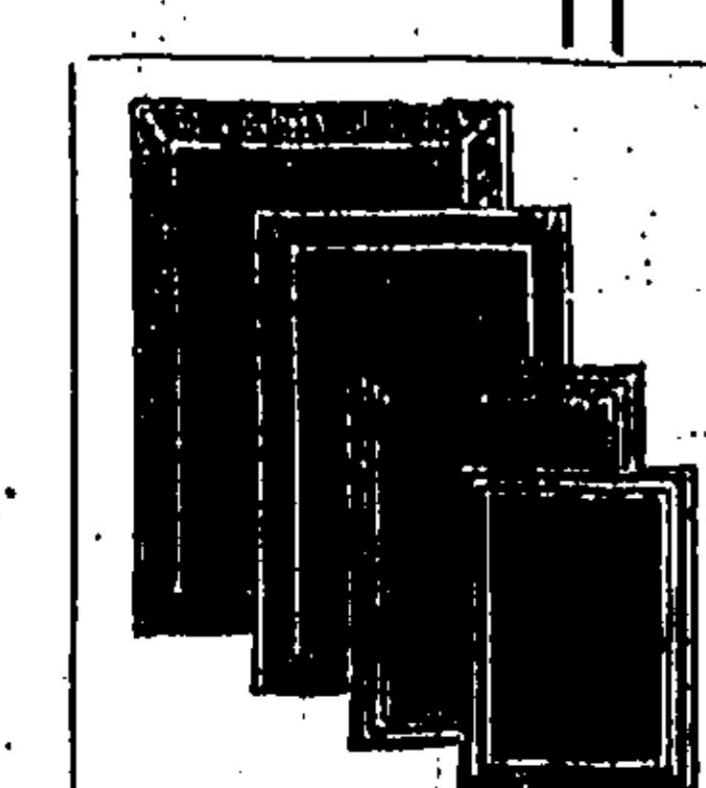
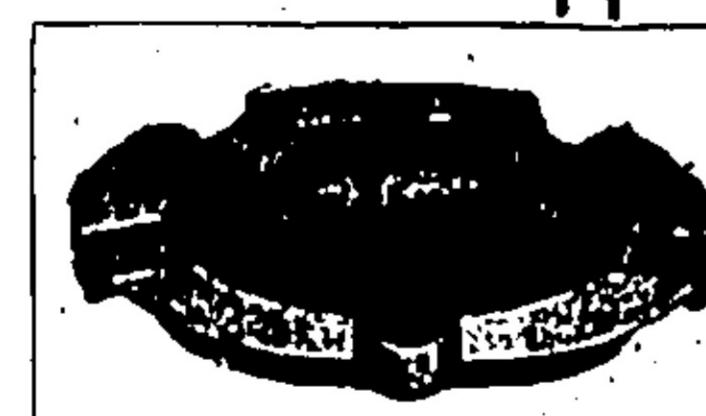
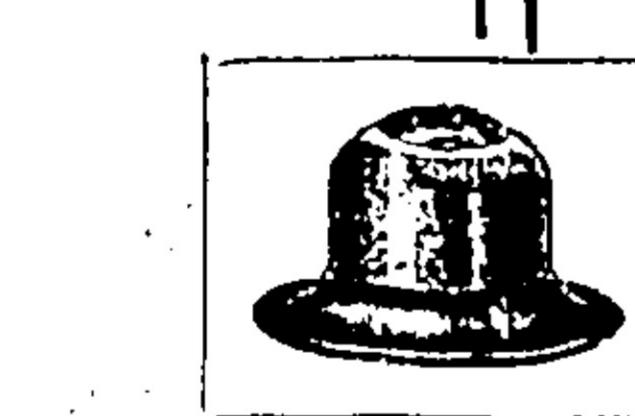
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**GANDHI AND HIS
OUTLOOK.**

"Die-Hards" of the Churchill type were doubtless in the mind of Lord Irwin when, in his speech in London, the ex-Viceroy effectively exploded the idea that, if what was called "a strong Government" were in power, the Indian trouble would have been stopped long ere this and everything have gone on happily. Anyone who has given careful consideration to the Indian problem must realise, as Lord Irwin puts it, that if a policy of ruthlessness were enforced for a sufficiently long period to achieve its purpose, the tranquillity which would ensue would be a tranquillity of sullen acquiescence rather than a tranquillity of agreement. In other words, a policy of force is, in these days, utterly unsuitable for the solution of the Indian problem. There can be no enduring settlement which is not based on goodwill and reasoned understanding. Unfortunately, the Churchills will not concede this point, obvious though it would appear to be. Sabre-rattling is the extent of the solutions they have to offer.

Lord Irwin's optimism was demonstrated in his speech no less than was his liberal outlook on Indian affairs, witness his belief that if Gandhi goes to London he will strain every nerve to secure an agreement. The "Die-Hards," however, may be counted upon to make the Mahatma's task far from easy, if not indeed to put obstacles in his way by embarking on a campaign of vilification. Mr. Churchill's recent description of Gandhi as a crazy half-naked fakir, apart from its extremely bad taste, is the kind of thing that we may expect to hear repeated in some quarter.

Happily, however, personalities of this order will be assessed at their true worth. They will carry no weight in circles which really matter. They rest, for the most part, on utter ignorance of Gandhi as a man and the cause which he typifies. We have just been reading a most interesting contribution in one of the political

reviews, written by a correspondent in India, on the Mahatma's influence and some of the factors which explain it. Chief amongst these is what an American writer has described as "this saint business." It is pointed out that one of the main differences between the modern European and those who still maintain a more mediaeval and incidentally a more religious outlook is the belief that there exists a perfect solution of all our mundane troubles. This knowledge, it is claimed, cannot be acquired by a mere process of reasoning. This idea colours all of Gandhi's views, as it does those of most Indians except a very few who have acquired a completely Western outlook. Thus whenever Gandhi makes a mistake (and he has himself confessed to "Himalayan blunders") his solution is to purify himself by a long fast, so as to recover his inspiration. It does not occur to him, as it would to most Englishmen, that he may have made a mistake in his political reasoning, or that his original premises may be wrong. As the authority we are quoting remarks, such an attitude may appear egotistical, but many Southern and Eastern Europeans would have no difficulty in understanding it. It has, of course, full religious sanction, for only the pure in heart can hope for a glimpse of the perfect solution, locked in the heart of the Almighty. What is hidden from the wise may be revealed to babes and sucklings.

Thus it comes about that Gandhi, feeling that he is inspired, is ruthless about methods, though this does not mean that the policy which he may put forward at any moment will be equally drastic. He is at heart, we are told, a rather conservative old gentleman, of pacific outlook. The "saint business" gives the Mahatma two advantages as a politician. It gives him great confidence in himself, and if at any time that confidence is impaired, the solution lies within himself; he does not have to go to his companions to find comfort. It also brings him a large measure of support from Indians of all kinds who would not be normally drawn into politics. As to the suggestion that Gandhi's cult of simplicity is a pose, we have it on the word of a well-informed writer that this is a superficial view. His austerity, we are told, is perfectly genuine. There is, moreover, something essentially Hindu in this craving for simplicity in middle age, which, it is observed, attacks successful Indians about the time that an American or Englishman thinks he ought to take up dancing again! It is well that we should keep these Indian points of view in mind, for they will help us to understand much that would otherwise be obscure. Whether, if Gandhi goes to London, he will reach an agreement remains to be seen. But, as one writer expresses it, the least that Englishmen can do is not to make his task harder by treating him either as a fanatic or a poseur. "He is a very astute old gentleman who honestly holds some religious beliefs that our great-great-grandfathers would have found it quite easy to understand."

WATER LEVELS.**DETAILS FOR WEST, NORTH
AND EAST RIVERS.**

The following table, issued by the Kwangtung River Conservancy Commission, shows in English feet the water levels on the West River, North River and East River on the dates named:

May May
15. 10.

West River at Shihching 7.0 8.2

North River at Taipingyuan 9.0 8.8

North River at Samshui 8.4 8.4

East River at Sheklung 7.4 —

The highest levels recorded are:
—Shihching, 41 feet; Taipingyuan, 29.2 feet; Samshui, 27.8 feet; Sheklung, 11.6 feet.

The lowest levels on record are

minus 5 feet at Samshui and

minus 2.7 feet at Sheklung.

DAY BY DAY

EVEN WHEN THE STATE HAS MANIFESTLY CAUSED THE MISCHIEF COMPLAINED OF, FAITH IN ITS BENEFICENT AGENCY IS NOT AT ALL DIMINISHED.—Herbert Spencer.

Sir Robert Ho Tung left Shanghai for Nanking on Tuesday to meet the different leaders of the National Government.

At to-morrow's meeting of the Rotary Club, Wing Comdr. A. W. F. Glenny, M.C., D.C.S., R.A.F., will speak on aviation.

During the week-end one case of typhoid and one of cerebro-spinal fever were notified to the health authorities. Both were Chinese.

The P. and O.s. Ramputra, from Singapore, is due here at 3 p.m. on Thursday. The P. and O.s. Alipore, from Shanghai, is due here at 2 p.m. on Wednesday.

Members of the Fan Ling Hunt and Race Club are asked to note that the List of Subscription Ponies for next year's Steeplechasing closes at noon on May 20th, to Mr. W. T. Stanton.

The St. Andrew's Church Sunday School held its annual festival services yesterday. At the morning service there was a parade of Boy Scouts. The Vicar preached in the morning, the Rev. H. V. Koop preaching in the evening.

At Kowloon this morning Mr. Hamilton imposed one month's imprisonment on a Chinese, Wai Cho, who pleaded guilty to having stolen an electric bulb from the Harbour View Hotel, the property of Mrs. Gardiner.

Arrested in a scavenging lane with baskets containing ten drain pipes, a Chinese named Kwok Wah, was produced before Mr. Hamilton, at Kowloon this morning, and was sentenced to three months' imprisonment. The pipes had been stolen from a house under construction in Fuk Wah Street.

Pleading guilty to a charge of cutting a tree in Broadwood Road, a Chinese who appeared before Mr. Schofield, at the Central Police Court this morning, stated that he had wanted the branch to make a handle for an umbrella. His Worship imposed a fine of \$10 or twelve days and remarked that the defendant seemed to have cut off an extraordinary amount to make an umbrella handle.

She sounds quite sensible about it. I hope she marries well. But it could anything be more fatuous than this exploitation of domesticity, this desire, if I may so put it, to kill the goose that laid the golden eggs, by sending charabanc parties to the village green?

Under the shade of Hollywood.

The village blacksmith stands.

The close-up of his brawny arm.

On movie tones expands:

You can see his daughters helping him.

In fourteen different lands.

Very soon, no doubt, the visitor

who goes by special excursion to gape at the forge will find the village policeman standing outside.

"The daughters begin to blow

the bellows," he will say, "at half past ten. You must line up into the queue."

The village confectioner will profit.

He will have to add a small barn to his shop to provide tea and buns for the anxious mob which has come out from the nearest town to see two girls helping their father to do a bit of work.

Paper will be strewn profusely all round the smithy, and picture postcards will be sold at the post office showing the anvil, the bellows, the water trough, the pincers, and the blacksmith's favourite cat.

There will be a car park. The smithy will have to open on Sundays, and extra horses will have to be hired and their shoes taken off and put on again, in order to meet the public demand.

In the girl's slightly satirical

statement I note especially the part

about the face cream. Face cream,

Why Kill the Goose...?

By E. V. KNOX.

apparently, is one of our great national industries.

Their foreheads stream with toilet cream.

Out of a patent can.

They supplement their girlish grace

With artificial tan.

I don't suppose they do anything of the sort, but at any rate they are tempted to do it and to say so in a series of signed articles entitled "How We Remain Lovely Whilst Wielding the Hammer."

Not that I object to face cream. But I refuse to put it amongst Deeds which Won the Empire, or even amongst Deeds that Dignify Rustic Toil. It appears to me that face cream was made for the world and not the world for face cream.

I applaud the ancient Roman virtue. I am reactionary on the subject of grease; or at any rate, grease as a substitute for kind hearts and simple faith amongst village maidens.

The plight of this village is the plight of a thousand throughout the length and breadth of the land. Where there was a little port, with nothing but a quaint harbour and a few seagulls eating the insides of fishes, enormous motor-buses now thunder down to the quay side, filled with trippers who wish to look at the deserted old-world spot and eat lobster toes.

It must be a strange puzzle to the economist, because the livelihood of the inhabitants, which once depended on fishing, now depends upon tea, and the seagulls once fed upon offal have become vegetarians and content themselves with enke.

Where the trippers find their money nobody knows. Possibly out of unemployment relief. They attempt to obtain photographs of the lonely shore and the un frequented streets, but so dense is the gathering that they only obtain photographs of each other trying to do what they were trying to do.

There is little organisation in these affairs. It seems to me that a turnstile ought to be erected outside every deserted village, and only a few hundred permitted to enter every day to contemplate its secluded and unpopulous charm.

Heaven knows that I would not deny to the multitude of my fellow creatures the spectacle of an old-world inn or a ruin, the glimpse of a perfect view, conversation with unsophisticated villagers, or the sight of simple farm labour in the fields. My point is that by concentrating the spotlight of publicity on these quiet places we are perpetually destroying a commodity for which there seems to be an ever-increasing demand.

More and more the lonely crumblach on the heath becomes a nest of garages and restaurants and pumping stations, scarcely distinguishable from the outer suburbs of the Metropolis. Whatever the rude forefathers of the hamlet may have been, their polished descendants live on pretending to be rude in front of an army of photographers.

Not very long ago I stayed at what had once been a very good, if simple, country town hotel. I found it a mediaeval castle. I speak the literal truth. Old, quite comfortable passages had been turned into gloomy Gothic corridors with imitation arrow-slits, artificially decayed banners, electric candles in sconces, Italian waiters, and central frost.

I wandered, a lost wraith, in all this mediaeval grandeur, until by happy chance I discovered that the boots was what the guides delighted in calling "quite unpolished." I do not mean that he was averse from rewards, but his heart, his nature, and his accent were unmarred by the architectural pantomime which had projected his life into the Middle Ages because there happened to be a ruined castle somewhere in his native town.

But I will not give the name of that town. I will not put him on the talkies. I will not read upon the screen:

Despite the Fifteenth Century glamour of the baronial castle in which he cleaned the motorists' footwear, Mr. Tom Smith still retains his old-world baize apron and early Nin

ROBBERS CONFESS CRIME.**TWO MEN GET TERMS OF THREE YEARS.****SHARP-EYED FOKIS.**

Sharp-eyed fokis of a building sub-contractor, who searched round the vicinity of Lady Clement's Ride after their master had been robbed, noticed a part of the hillside which appeared to have been walked over by someone. Following this trail they located two men hidden on the hillside, on whom was found some of the stolen money. They were Lam Shing and Lam Yuk, who were arrested, and were at the Criminal Sessions this morning, sentenced to three years' imprisonment with hard labour, after confessing to the crime.

Prisoners were charged with robbing Chau Choi of an automatic pistol, ten rounds of ammunition and \$810 in money, at Lady Clement's Ride on March 20, this year.

After prisoners had pleaded guilty, Mr. Somerset Fitzroy, for the Crown, outlined the circumstances. He said that Chau Choi was a sub-contractor engaged on work in connexion with the Aberdeen waterworks scheme. On the day in question he obtained \$1,200 from the contractor and changed part of it into small notes and subsidiary coins.

He then went back towards his shed, where he and his workmen lived, on the hillside. After describing the route taken, counsel said that there was a small bridle path which was a short cut to his master's. Chau Choi went along this path at about one o'clock and after proceeding some way saw five men ahead of him. The foremost man was not carrying anything, but the other four carried sticks.

Bent on Head.

They attacked Chau Choi, beat him on the head and legs with the sticks and rolled him down the hillside. It was carrying the pistol, with five rounds in the magazine and five loose ones, and the men took this away from him. Counsel added he did not think they intended to steal it as they left it behind, and the only thing that was missing in this connexion were five loose rounds.

The robbers then went through his pockets and took the sum of \$810 from him, after which they put a sack over his head and tied him up with rope. They then decamped.

They did not seem to have done the job very thoroughly, but this was probably because they knew Chau Choi's workmen were only a short distance away and someone might come along at any moment. Although dazed, Chau Choi did not lose consciousness and did not have much difficulty in freeing himself. While sitting down and recovering his composure a woman came along. He sent her to his master as a result of which his fokis came along. As a result of the search carried out prisoners were arrested.

Over \$600 Recovered.

Counsel further explained that prisoners had been recognised as men who had been to Chau Choi's master to ask for work, but the other men with them were not known. When arrested, one was found in possession of a \$500 note and \$10, while the other had \$100 in notes. Thus \$610 was recovered.

In reply to his Lordship, Mr. Fitzroy said that nothing was known against either of the men.

His Lordship passed sentence as stated above; after which he told the jurors that they would not be required to attend again until to-morrow week, May 26, for the hearing of a murder case.

Mr. Justice Lindell added that both the Chief Justice and himself wished it to be known that, as a general rule, the hours for hearing criminal cases would be from 10 a.m. until 12.30 p.m., and from 2.30 p.m. until 4.15 p.m.

SUN FO AND WANG CHUNG-HUI.**NANKING ATTEMPTS PERSUASION.**

Nanking, May 18.

Several Commissioners of the Kuomintang Supervisory Committee, including Messrs. Chang Ching-kang, Li Shih-teng and Wu Tze-hai, visited Shanghai last evening when they called on Mr. Fo and Dr. Wang Chung-hui, urging them to return to their posts at Nanking.

The Nationalists officials strongly advised Mr. Sun Fo and Dr. Wang Chung-hui to reconsider their intention proceeding to Canton. The Nationalist envoys also expressed the hope that war between Nanking and Canton would be avoided at the last minute, although both sides were making preparations.

General Chang Hsueh-liang entertained members of the Government last evening. He will leave for Peking to-morrow by aeroplane. Rensha.

CORRESPONDENCE.**A Resented Remark.**

[To The Editor of Hongkong Telegraph.]

Sir.—I would like to protest, through the medium of your excellent paper, against the unjust and highly impudent remark which Mr. Hamilton, the Kowloon Magistrate, made on May 13th against the Chinese Army.

The police were charging a misguided young Chinese for using abusive language to girls and for threatening to assault an elderly Chinese. On registering a conviction, his Worship, according to your report, said the defendant must be a very brave man and should join one of the Chinese armies. Can anyone interpret this remark for anything but what it is, namely a discreditable observation unbefitting a Magistrate?—Yours, etc., DISGUSTED.

"Portugal: Land of Endless Unrest."

Sir.—Allow me, sir, as a Portuguese citizen born at Lisbon, to express my surprise and deep disgust, provoked by reading an article in your issue of the 14th instant under the above caption due to the wits of William J. Malin.

Although highly shocked by the tenor of such article, it is, by no means, my intention or desire to indulge in debating the opinions of its author, his personal views being, indeed, of no importance.

I am solely concerned in not allowing to pass unchallenged (out of respect for sound public opinion) such a gratuitous attack on a country which has been, lately, too often a victim to the diatribes of literary adventurers.

By its sarcasm and cheap jests lavishly sprinkled throughout that piece of invincibility and misrepresentations, the writer has, in fact, overstepped the limits marked to any fair-minded critical study of political conditions of my country, and has taken the definite character of an eager and outrageous aspersor against a foreign country whose free hospitality the writer seems to have nevertheless fully enjoyed.

There are words and expressions, Sir, worse than stabs in the back. A writer's pen can be, sometimes, more ferocious and brutal than a murderous knife. Instead of taking the life of a human being, as the former, such pen, when in unscrupulous hands, will wound and incarce the better and most intimate feelings of mankind. To build a nest of exaggerations and imaginary hazardous happenings around one or two facts is, indeed, a work of petty literary value. Any critical writing, jeeringly built on such lines, will surely show in a very bad light any country of the world.

Therefore, I do emphatically repudiate and renew with all the pride that informs my being, the spurious and pasquinating prose to which I have been referring, with profound displeasure.—Yours, etc.,

Dr. J. B. FERREIRA DA SILVA,
Canton, May 16th, 1931.

Dangerous Street.

Sir.—I shall be much obliged if you will allow me some space in your valuable columns to bring to the notice of the Authorities that Chi Wo Street, Yaumati, a narrow thoroughfare, is particularly dangerous for children in view of the fact that motor traffic is permitted to pass through this street.

Quite recently several children were nearly run over by a passing lorry and it is hoped that the Authorities will close motor traffic through this street, so that the lives of many children living in this locality will not be endangered.—Yours, etc.,

J. A.

MAN ATTACKED IN A YAUMATI STREET.**ASSAILANT FLEES AFTER INFlicting INJURIES.**

A peculiar affair occurred at Yaumati yesterday evening, about a quarter to nine, when a man was attacked in the street, receiving injuries to his head, and had to be taken to hospital.

It appears that the injured man, Wu Wai, was walking in Parkes Street when he was attacked. He received injuries to his head, which at first baffled the police who could not immediately make out whether the wounds were inflicted with a revolver or a knife. On his being admitted to the Kowloon Hospital, however, the man's injuries were found to have been inflicted with a sharp instrument, probably a knife, but were not bullet wounds.

No arrest has been made so far, though the police were looking for a man who is said to have committed the deed. The cause of the attack is alleged to be connected with traffic in opium.

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YOUTHFUL RED SENT TO GUILLOTINE.

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at Xien Mai, in Siam, is no gamin but a person who reasons."

He concluded, in asking for the death sentence: "It is necessary that when a crime is committed with the object of disturbing public order, that the penalty be an exemplary one. Your thoughts should be turned towards the woman widowed by the act of this assassin, of the mother also, back there in France."

Death Sentence.

Maitre Massé, for the accused, pleaded his tender years, and stressed the possibility of his having been influenced by other and more mature Communists.

The President then addressed the accused: "Have you any regrets for what you have done?"

Accused: "I have done my duty; I regret nothing."

After a short deliberation, the Court returned a verdict of guilty, unattended by extenuating circumstances.

The Public Prosecutor: "I demand execution, to be carried out in a public spot."

The President (to the accused): "Have you anything further to say?"

Accused: "Nothing." Nguyen Hui was thereupon condemned to be decapitated in a public place.

The youth heard the sentence without emotion, and two days later he was guillotined in the public square at Saigon.

GENERAL ESCAPES IN DISGUISE.

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the district as an ordinary citizen, visiting one opium den after another. A remittance of \$500 which he had sent for from Canton finally reached him, and with this he was able to get passage on a tow boat bound up river. He was successful in concealing his identity after reaching Canton. At the first opportunity he secured a passage on the Kwangtung and came down to Hongkong.

The Military Outlook.

Regarding the general political situation, it was mentioned that a conference is being convened at Canton attended by General Chan Chai-tong and the Kwangsi leaders. The opinion was expressed by Mr. Lu Yan-fo, a political officer attached to the Peace Preservation Corps, that General Chan could not hold out against Nanking without the assistance of the Ironsides and Kwangsi troops. The five Divisions which were General Chan's own troops have now been recalled to Canton. Of these, the 59th and 63rd offer a strong proposition by virtue of their efficiency.

Against the military alliance presented by all these anti-Nanking elements, there now remains only one solitary unit loyal to General Chan Ming-shu and the Nanking Government, this being a regiment, 2,000 strong, commanded by General Fan Chang-chu, which is now holding Pakhoi.

Special Duty.

Members who are detailed for special duty at the Races will parade at Central Police Station on Saturday, May 23rd, and 25th, at 13.00 hours respectively. Dress—Khaki Uniform, and Cap with Khaki Cover.

Flying Squad.

The weekly instructional patrol of the Kowloon Section will take place on Tuesday, May 10th. Fall in at Tsim-tsa-tsui Fire Brigade Station at 5.30 p.m. sharp. Dress—Khaki Uniform, and Cap with Khaki Cover.

Sharpshooters Company.

Riot Drill—Riot Drill will be carried out on Kennedy Road on Wednesday, May 20th, at 5.15 p.m. Members will assemble outside Queen's Pier at 5.10 p.m. with belts, holsters, revolvers and truncheons. Uniform optional.

(Sgd.) D. L. KING,
D.S.P. (R).

SEQUEL TO ARREST OF COOLIE.**SEVENTY TAELS OF OPIUM DISCOVERED.**

On arresting a coolie at the Sai Kong Wharf with 51 taels of illicit opium tied round his waist, revenue officers followed up information which they had received and visited a house where the man was to have taken the opium and there found 70 taels of the raw drug which had been previously delivered by some person unknown to the authorities.

The man arrested at the Sai Kong Wharf was brought before Mr. Schofield at the Central Police Court this morning and charged with being in possession of 51 taels of raw opium. The defendant pleaded guilty and was fined \$1,500, with the alternative of seven months' hard labour.

Revenue Officer Ward, who made the arrest, remarked to his Worship that it was not known whether it had been the defendant or his friend who had taken the 70 taels which were subsequently found in a house.

A woman occupant of 134, Queen's Road East, top floor was charged with possession of seven taels of prepared opium and was fined \$500 or three months' hard labour. A man, who was also arrested, was discharged on the prosecution accepting a plea of guilty entered by Mr. F. X. d'Almada on behalf of the woman.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Royal Observatory reports that the anticyclone has strengthened slightly and is now central over N.E. China. A depression remains over S. W. China.

POLICE RESERVE.**ORDERS FOR THE CURRENT WEEK.**

Police Reserve Orders by the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, C.M.G., Inspector General of Police, state:

General.

Revolver Practice.—The regular weekly revolver practice will take place at the Bowen Road Revolver Range on Wednesday, May 20th, at 17.00 hours. It will be open to members of the Indian Company, Hong Kong Police Reserve.

Police Training School.

The weekly classes for Police Reservists at the Police Training School, Kowloon, will be held as usual on Tuesday, May 19th, at 16.30 p.m. All members of the Chinese Company and of the Flying Squad who have not yet passed Part 2 of Training Course should attend.

Chinese Company.

Strength.—The following recruits of the Chinese Company have been struck off the strength of the Company as from May 13th, 1931:—Constables R21 Luk Ilng, R36 Ngan Chi On, R64 Silver Pong, R68 Edward Elwin Yipp, R88 Young Wing Sung, and R89 Luk Kang Cheung.

Squad Drill.—All recruits of the Chinese Company will attend Central Police Station for Squad Drill on Thursday, May 21st, at 5.30 p.m. under L. S. R.43 Tso Chi On.

Inspection Parade.

All ranks of the Chinese Company will parade at Central Police Station on Thursday, May 21st, for a general inspection of Equipment etc. by the Company Commander. Fall in at 5.30 p.m. sharp under P/Sgt. R. J. Hunt. Dress—White Uniform, Cap with White Cover; Belt (without Frog), Truncheon, Whistle, Armet and Badge, "Pocket Policeman" and Note-Book to be carried. Those not in possession of uniform will attend in mufti. No member may be absent from this parade without leave from the Company Commander. The Equipment Officer will make it a point of being present. Recruits will attend.

Indian Company.

Inspection Parade.—All ranks of the Indian Company will parade at Central Police Headquarters on Thursday, May 21st, for a general inspection of Equipment etc. by the Company Commander. Fall in at 5.30 p.m. sharp under P/Sgt. R. J. Hunt. Dress—White Uniform, Cap with White Cover; Belt (without Frog), Truncheon, Whistle, Armet and Badge, "Pocket Policeman" and Note-Book to be carried. Those not in possession of uniform will attend in mufti. No member may be absent from this parade without leave from the Company Commander. The Equipment Officer will make it a point of being present. Recruits will attend.

Flying Squad.

Squad Drill.—All recruits of the Flying Squad will attend at Central Police Station for Squad Drill on Thursday, May 21st, under L. S. R.333 A. W. Mooney.

Special Duty.

Members who are detailed for special duty at the Races will parade at Central Police Station on Saturday, May 23rd, and Monday, May 25th, at 13.00 hours respectively. Dress—Khaki Uniform, and Cap with Khaki Cover.

Creator's Band.

Song-L'Africaine (Meyerbeer).—Admete, Ruler of Ocean. Song-Andrea Chenier (Giordano).—The Enemy of His Country. Titto Russo (Baritone). 7153. 10.00-10.30 p.m. Variety.

Vocal Duet-Deng Little Cafe.

Peggy Wood and George Metaxas. 17146.

Organ Solo-In the Heart of the Sunset.

Reginald Foort. B3044.

Dialogue-The Story of the Pied Piper.

John Henry and Gladys Horridge. B3096.

(This record is by special request).

Humorous Song-Oui in the New Mown Hay.

Ann Penn. B2663.

Banjo Quartet-Whistling Rufus.

Banjo Quartet-A Swans Sing Song.

Emile Grimshaw's Band Quartet. B3277.

Organ Solo-Spirit of the Dance.

Edward O'Henry. B3236.



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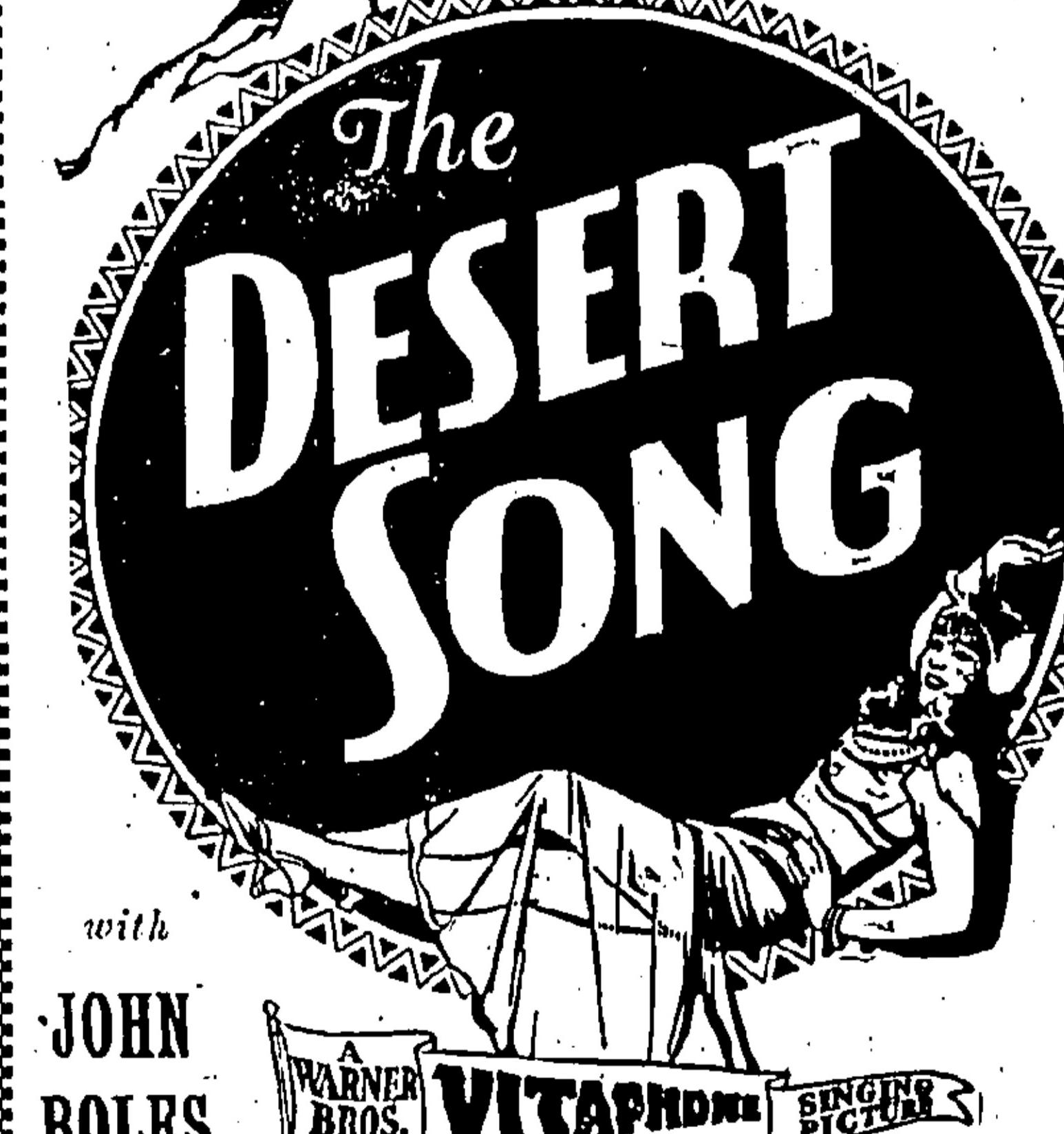
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CLUB'S ATHLETICS.

EASTERN F. C. HOLD A SPORTS MEETING.

The first annual athletic meeting of the Eastern Football Club took place yesterday afternoon in fine weather before a large gathering, and some close finishes were seen.

In the 100 metres championship, M. Sabhan won in splendid style. Lee Bing-tong proved the champion with 18 points to his credit including three heats and a second.

The relay race open to the Colony attracted no fewer than five teams, and was won by St. Paul's College, with H. M. S. Hermes second, and a few yards behind the winners.

In a short speech in Chinese at the conclusion, the chairman of the Eastern Football Club expressed his appreciation to all prize donors and to those who had worked so hard to make the sports a success, particularly Mr. Sabhan, the secretary, and to the South China Football Club for the loan of the ground. The results were:

Long Jump.—1, Lee Bing-tong; 2, Leung Yin-chok; 3, K. Ram. Distance

17 ft. 6 ins.

High Jump.—1, J. Silver; 2, Leung Yin-chok; 3, Ng Po-kui. Height 5 ft.

100 metres championship.—1, M. Sabhan; 2, Lau Ting-choi; 3, Ng Po-kui. Time 12 sec.

200 metres championship.—1, Chu Sik-chee; 2, Lee Bing-tong; 3, Ng Po-kui. Time 26.4 sec.

400 metres low hurdles.—1, Lee Bing-tong; 2, Wong Wing-nim; 3, Ng Po-kui. Time 32.1 sec.

400 metres championship.—1, Lee Bing-tong; 2, Chu Sik-chee; 3, Yu Chik-shun. Time 51.2 sec.

One-mile championship.—1, Ching In-pun; 2, Lee Mun-sum; 3, Ng Ying-si. Time 5 min. 40 sec.

Ladies' nomination.—1, Mr. Sabhan and Miss Silver; 2, Mr. Ng Po-kui and Miss Ng; 3, Mr. Wong Kok-nang and Miss Wong.

400 metres relay race (small boys).—1, King's College.

800 metres relay race open to the Colony.—1, St. Paul's College; 2, H. M. S. Hermes. Time 1 min. 44.9 sec.

200 metres ladies' race.—1, Miss Yuen Wai-pun; 2, Miss Kuo Lai-ning.

200 metres small girls' race.—1, Wong Yue-kin; 2, Li Kam-sum; 3, Li Kam-ha. Champion.—Lee Bing-tong. 18 points.

DAVIS CUP RESULTS.

SOUTH AFRICA QUALIFY TO MEET BRITAIN.

London, May 16. South Africa by winning their two remaining matches against Ireland, at Dublin today, qualified to meet Britain in the next round of the European Zone of the Davis cup. They defeated Ireland with the loss of but one match, to-day's remaining two singles being annexed by the visitors.

In the one, Kirby beat Lyttleton Rogers, 3-6, 7-5, 10-8, 6-2, and in the other, Spence defeated McGuire in straight sets, 6-3, 6-4, 6-2.

On Friday, the visitors went into the lead by the doubles victory of Spence and Paraghuram over Lyttleton Rogers and Scroope, who won by three sets to two, after losing the first. The scores were 1-6, 0-1, 7-5, 2-6, 6-4.

Another tie to reach a definite conclusion to-day, was that at Oslo, where Poland secured the necessary third match against Norway. In this, Tloczynski and Stohlow (Poland) beat Cristoffersen and Fagerstrom, 6-2, 6-2, 5-7, 6-2.

At Turin, Italy vanquished Holland in the easiest possible manner, Baron de Morpurgo and De Dolben, beating Knapper and Van de Heide, 6-3, 6-2, 6-1, 6-1, to obtain the required third game. On Friday, De Stefano (Italy) beat Van der Heide, 6-3, 6-3, 6-3, and Baron de Morpurgo (Italy) beat Knapper, 6-3, 6-1, 6-1. Czechoslovakia secured a lead against Greece at Athens today, when in the third match, a doubles, Menzel and Marsalek (Czechoslovakia), defeated Ball and Nocoides, 6-2, 6-2, 6-4. The day before, each team won a match, Menzel eliminating Zerlind in straight sets, 6-2, 6-2, 6-1, and Carandoli (Greece) beating Hecht, 1-6, 8-6, 6-2, 11-9.

At Copenhagen, where Denmark had already beaten Rumania, the Danish players proceeded to make it a five straight matches victory, Ulrich beating Buben, 6-1, 6-1, 6-0, while Henrikson beat Muhus, 4-6, 6-1, 6-4, 4-6, 6-1.—Reuters.

HOLIDAY SOCCER.

SCOTLAND OVERWHELMED BY AUSTRIA.

London, May 16. Playing in Vienna to-day, a representative eleven from Scotland was heavily defeated by Austria, losing by five clear goals.

Austria gained a comfortable success against Belgium, at Brussels, winning by four goals to one.—Reuters.

SPEED TRIALS.

KAYE DON TRIES BOAT ON LAKE GARDA.

London, May 16. Kaye Don the racing motor boat driver made three trials in Miss England II on Lake Garda (Italy) yesterday. He reached over 100 kilometres an hour. New propellers were subsequently fitted, and a further speed trial will be made today.—British Wireless.

SATURDAY'S RACE MEETING.

WOODLAND STAG BREAKS RECORD.

There was some excellent sport at the Extra Race Meeting at Happy Valley on Saturday, the large attendance including H.E. the Governor and Lady Peel. A feature of the meeting was the fine form shown by Woodland Stag in the Warwick. This Australian pony, although carrying 180 lbs., was steered to victory in record time for a mile and a quarter. Mr. Frost was the most successful jockey. In eight appearances, he rode four firsts, one second and two thirds. Results:

Customs Handicap: "A" Class: One Mile.—For China Ponies. "A" Class. Top weight not to exceed 161 lb. Entrance Fee \$5. 1st Prize: \$600. 2nd Prize: \$300. 3rd Prize: \$200. Mr. Chan Tin-son's Wisdom Stag (161) ... (Mr. Frost) 1

Mr. Alieh Atch's Valorous (160) ... (Mr. Heard) 1

Messrs. Moir and Carmichael's Piccalilli (155) (Mr. Stewart) 2

Messrs. Tester and Abraham's The Tiger (155) ... (Mr. Frost) 3

Won by two lengths; a neck.

Time: 1 min. 48.1/5 secs.

Parimutuel: Win \$40.00; Places, 1st \$3.30; 2nd \$20.70; 3rd \$8.60.

THE CASH SWEEPS.

Some Substantial Dividends Returned.

Race 1.

No. 65 \$1,293.60

" 247 369.60

" 127 184.80

Unplaced runners (\$50 each) Nos.

470, 433.

Race 2.

No. 507 \$1,509.40

" 186 448.40

" 61 224.20

Unplaced runners (\$50 each) Nos.

246, 261, 34, 500, 16.

Race 3.

No. 254 \$1,680.00

" 37 480.00

" 97 240.00

Unplaced runners (\$50 each) Nos.

104, 450, 213, 74, 259, 70, 584, 632,

217, 535, 719, 728.

Race 4.

No. 40 \$3,416.00

" 30 976.00

" 499 488.00

Unplaced runners (\$100 each) Nos.

237, 523.

Race 5.

No. 645 \$1,960.00

" 845 560.00

" 878 280.00

Unplaced runners (\$50 each) Nos.

156, 637, 683, 8, 409, 622, 92, 672,

611, 281, 745, 531.

Race 6.

No. 258 \$1,807.40

" 600 515.40

" 715 258.20

Unplaced runners (\$50 each) Nos.

166, 615, 310, 637, 183, 488, 304, 643,

515, 113, 438, 598, 450, 210, 548.

Race 7.

No. 224 \$2,060.80

" 296 688.30

" 142 204.40

Unplaced runners (\$50 each) Nos.

476, 227, 652, 18.

Race 8.

No. 178 \$2,205.00

" 234 639.00

" 665 315.00

Unplaced runners (\$50 each) Nos.

497, 245, 745, 373.

Race 9.

No. 571 \$2,209.80

" 83 628.80

" 493 314.40

Unplaced runners (\$50 each) Nos.

704, 756, 859.

Race 10.

No. 821 \$2,576.00

" 765 735.00

" 589 368.00

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673, 576, 800, 110, 705, 202.

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SUGAR MARKET.

F. A. REDMOND WINS THE BOGEY POOL.

Including 21 carried forward from March, for which no cards were returned, there were 74 entries for the Bogeys Pool at Fanling on May 16th-17th. F. A. Redmond (7) four down, won, while L. G. S. Dodwell (6) and A. Lench (10), five down, tied for second prize.

A match between the Kowloon Golf Club and the Royal Hongkong Golf Club has been arranged for Whitman Day at Happy Valley. Starting times will be arranged both for morning and afternoon, morning play to start at 9 a.m. Players in this match will have right of way over all other players.

Mad Marriage.

By LAURA LOU BROOKMAN.

BEGIN HERE TO-DAY.

Gwen McHale, 16-year-old typist in a New York office, meets Jim Wallace at the home of her wealthy cousin, Anne Trowbridge. Gipsy is married because she is a half-student art in Paris, no longer cares for her. Wallace tells Gipsy the girl he carried and sent away to Paris. She refused but later accepts. They are married next morning and depart for Forest City, his home town.

At Jim's home they are greeted by his aunt, Miss Ellen Wallace, who immediately becomes hostile to the girl. After a few days Miss Wallace announces she is moving to a remote corner of the country and sends a ring, bearing with a diamond ring for Gipsy. Before he gives it to her he picks up the book she has been reading. In it is a picture of Alan Crosby.

CHAPTER XX.

"Here I am," Gipsy called as she entered the room. "What was it you were going to show me?"

Wallace's back was toward her. He stood at a window, staring out across the lawn. At the sound of her voice he turned.

" Didn't you say you had something to show me?" the girl asked again.

" Why--did I? Couldn't have been anything important. I guess I've forgotten it!" He was making an elaborate effort to seem casual. Gipsy watched him, puzzled.

" What time are the movers coming to-morrow for Aunt Ellen's things?" he asked lamely.

Gipsy told him they had promised to arrive at nine o'clock. There was more talk of inconsequential things and then Wallace excused himself. Gipsy noticed he was quiet throughout dinner.

Afterward when they all went to the living room he said something about having work to do. He left them and went into the library.

Gipsy waited until 10:30 but he did not reappear.

The moving van was still backed up in the driveway at 10 o'clock next morning when the doorbell rang. Gipsy opened the door upon a tall, heavily built woman wearing a black plush coat and blue hat.

The woman extended a card. "I'm from the Reliability Agency," she said.

The card bore the name "Mrs. Inez Cooley," and the printed slogan of the Reliability Employment Agency. "We never fail."

"Come in," Gipsy invited. She led the way into the living room. "Won't you sit down?"

"Thank you, Ma'am." Mrs. Cooley sat down. "They told me you wanted a cook."

Gipsy nodded. She had never been on the employer's side in such an interview. "You've had experience, I suppose?"

"Yes, Ma'am. I've cooked in restaurants and hotels and private homes. I was with Mrs. Hockaday over on Maple street for five months. Fancy cooking for parties is my specialty. How many are there in the family here?"

"Just myself," Gipsy told her, "and my husband."

"No children?"

"That's good," Mrs. Cooley said approvingly. "I never work where they have children unless there's a nurse. The laundry goes out of course? I don't like to have laundry work cluttering up my kitchen. How much other help do you have?"

"Why--you see we've had a cook who's been with the family for years. A woman comes three times a week to clean and do the washing and ironing. I wasn't planning on having anyone else in the house all the time."

"But they said you wanted a cook!"

"The cooking is the biggest part of the work—" Gipsy began, but the woman was on her feet.

"I wouldn't be interested," Mrs. Cooley said, head high in the air. "I don't see why the Reliability office sent me to such a place!" With an air of offended dignity she turned toward the hall.

Gipsy watched her sweep out of the house and down the steps, and returned to the living room with the impression that somehow she herself was in the wrong.

The last of Aunt Ellen's furniture boxes were piled into the moving van and disappeared down the street a half hour later. Harriet had gone ahead to see that the things were unloaded properly. Aunt Ellen, her black hat poised squarely on her head, coat collar about her chin, paused in the hallway.

"Well," she said, "I'm leaving."

"Goodbye, Aunt Ellen. I hope you're going to like the new house."

"I hope so too," said the older woman. "If there's anything I've forgotten I'll send Harriet back." She put her black umbrella under her arm and stepped outside.

The big house seemed quiet after the noise and bustle of the movers.

The rooms looked half-stripped and barren. Familiar pieces of furniture were gone. It was a melancholy scene but Gipsy's heart was singing. At last this was her home!

She telephoned the employment company and two more applicants

INVALID SISTER POISONED.

COULD NOT BEAR TO SEE HER SUFFER.

Distracted by the sufferings of her sister, who for 50 years had been subject to epileptic fits, Miss Fanny Elizabeth Huggert (aged 72), of Lewes, gave her poison and took some herself.

After lingers over a week both died.

The circumstances were revealed at an inquest on the couple recently.

They were spinsters living together in Prince Edward-road. The younger one, Caroline Mary, aged 66, had been an epileptic since she was 16, and for years had been under the constant care of her sister.

Dr. M. L. C. Irvine said that on April 11 he found Miss Caroline seriously ill and had a conversation with the sister.

Miss Fanny said her sister had not been well since she had given her phosphorous paste on the evening of Tuesday, April 7. When he asked if she had actually given the paste to her sister, she replied, "Yes, as a matter of fact I took some myself, too."

Asked why she had done that, she replied that she could not bear things going on as they were. Hoped for Death.

She also said that she had "hoped they would not have been there in the morning," but they were disappointed.

Mrs. E. A. Scorgins, of North-street, Lewes, who worked in the house during the day, said she heard parts of the conversation between Dr. Irvine and Miss Fanny, and she asked her why she had done it. Miss Fanny replied, "Poor dear, I could not bear to see her suffer any longer."

The jury returned a verdict that Miss Caroline died from poison administered by her sister with intent to kill and that Miss Fanny died from poison taken by herself with intent to kill while in a state of unbalanced mind owing to the worry of looking after her sister.

"Whoopie" for Wednesday.

With the appearance of "Whoopie" at the Queen's Theatre on Wednesday, there will be seen the collaboration of the two greatest lights of successful stage and screen talent in the world. "Whoopie" is the joint production of Samuel Goldwyn, chief pioneer of the motion picture business, and Florenz Ziegfeld, world-famous glorifier of the American girl and king of the musical stage. Starring Eddie Cantor, containing such famous names as Eleanor Hunt, Ethel Shutte and Dorothy Knapp, the cast of "Whoopie" is as expertly lavish in talent as might be expected from the conjunction of the names of Goldwyn and Ziegfeld.

Samuel Goldwyn's uncanny ability to select unknowns and see them turn into world-famous stars has long been the wonder of Hollywood. In his long career in pictures he has been responsible for the rise to fame of such luminaries as Ronald Colman, Vilma Banky, Lily Damita, Belle Bennett, Jean Bennett, and has brought to the screen the stage talents of famous ladies such as Evelyn Laye and Gilda Grey. During his vacations in Europe and the East he never ceases his search for faces and personalities which will enrich his pictures. Most of his discoveries have been accidental, but the result of his never-sleeping vigilance and ability to see possibilities in unknown people.

Florenz Ziegfeld's record on the stage is scarcely less brilliant, with triumphs of selection. During the productions of his famous series of "Follies" and other musical shows of which the stage version of "Whoopie" was a lavish sample, he has given a start to a long list of stage and screen notables. Will Rogers, W. C. Fields, Eddie Cantor (star of "Whoopie"), Marion Davies, Marilyn Miller, Nedra Murray, Billie Dove, Prannie Brice and Ann Pennington. The number of famous screen actresses who began their careers in a shadowed chorus is legion, all the way from Justin Johnson to Eleanor Hunt, the leading lady of "Whoopie" on the screen.

This is why Hollywood is looking eagerly for the future career of this Eleanor Hunt, who, comparatively unknown before "Whoopie," went into production, was elevated to a leading role when both Goldwyn and Ziegfeld agreed that she was ideal for the part. If there is any guidance in past performances, being selected by two such connoisseurs of talent is a sure guarantee of fame and fortune.

"Anybody's Woman" loses nothing in its projection, for the sound equipment at the King's is as near to perfection as possible. The film is brimful of the witty yet ungrammatical lines that are to be expected from a lawyer and a chorus girl.

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CINEMA NOTES.

HIT PRODUCER GOES LIMIT FOR LATEST.

Howard Hughes, whose \$1,000,000 air-war film, "Hell's Angels," is playing currently at the Queen's Theatre is the youngest producer and director in the business of motion pictures.

Although he is only 25 years old, he is recognized as the outstanding independent producer in the industry, and as a result of the sensational success of "Hell's Angels" he has been acclaimed the "Man of the Hour" in Hollywood.

Every picture which Howard Hughes has given to the public has been a box-office sensation, and his latest film has been pronounced by critics the most spectacular entertainment of all time.

Mr. Hughes, with an enormous personal fortune, entered the picture business four years ago. His first film, "Two Arabian Knights" was almost unanimously proclaimed by the critics as one of the outstanding pictures of that season.

His second production, "The Rocket," was equally popular with the public and won awards of merit from the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences.

"Hell's Angels," his latest presentation, has already created more discussion and evoked more praise than any previous picture to come out of Hollywood.

Mr. Hughes spent three years of his youth and \$1,000,000 of his fortune in making "Hell's Angels". This is the most time and money ever put into a film spectacle, silent or talking.

Without exception, observers everywhere have declared that "Hell's Angels" more than justifies this unprecedented outlay of time and money.

Mr. Hughes is probably the only producer in Hollywood with the courage to sink so much money into a single picture, and there are scenes in "Hell's Angels," which it is generally agreed will never again be duplicated on the screen.

The three terrific highlights in the picture consist of a Zeppelin raid on London; the bombing of a munitions plant in Germany and a dog-fight on a grand scale in which fifty planes take part. Many international famous aviators were engaged to play in these scenes. Jean Harlow, Ben Lyon and James Hall play the leading roles.

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Clive Brook's "drunk" is also never exaggerated, and the producer has done good work in not prolonging any of the scenes. Apart from Paul Lukas, the remainder of the cast have little to do, for the tale hangs on the doings of that trio.

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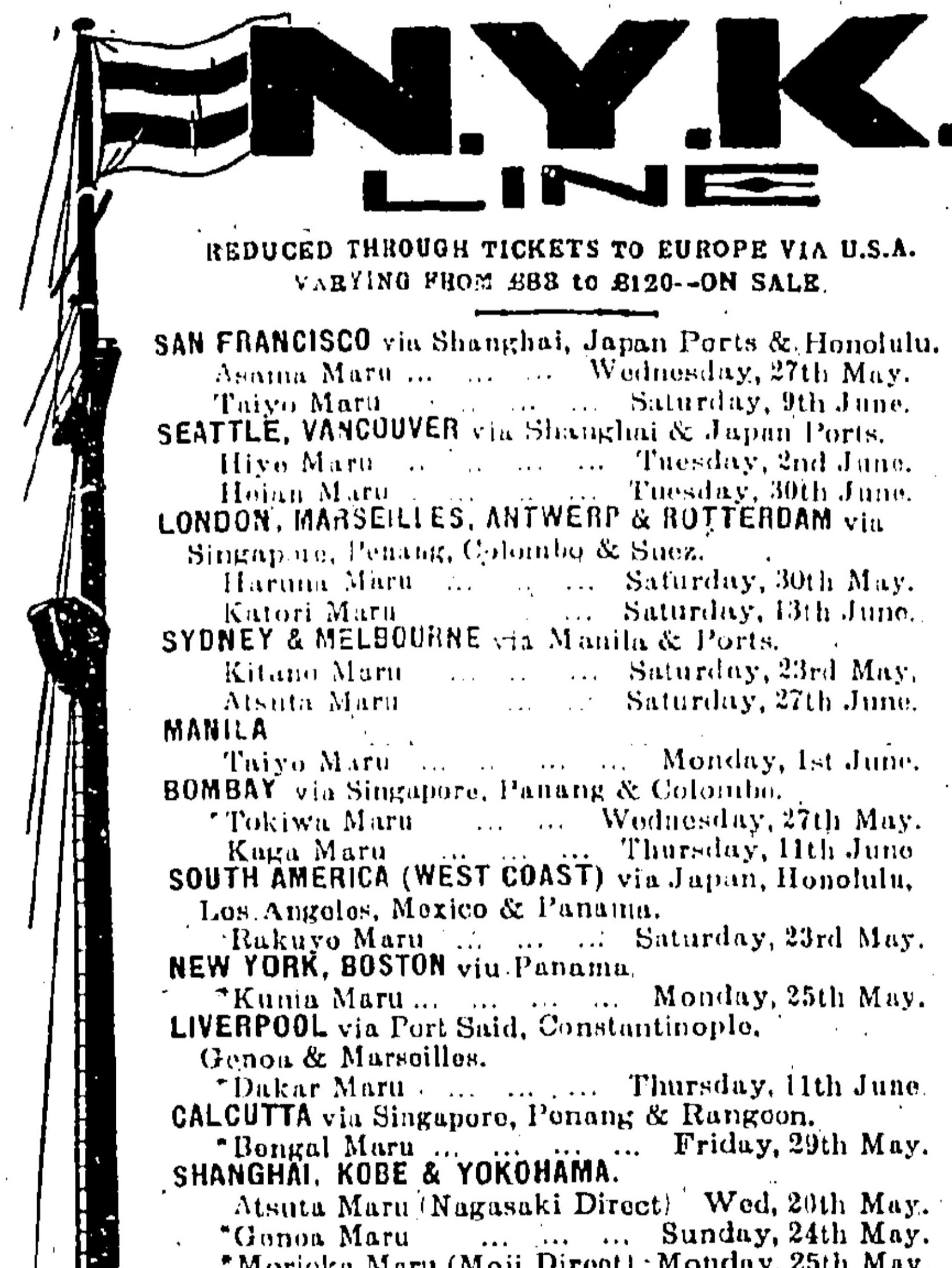
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PROFESSOR BARMA AT LEE THEATRE.**THE ZIMBAL, XYLOPHONE AND METALLOPHONE.**

Professor A. Barma, world-famous cymbalist, wielded a pair of sticks to musical purpose at the Lee Theatre on Saturday night, when an audience, small but appreciative, was entertained to music of a nature seldom heard. In brief, Professor Barma plays the zimbal and allied instruments such as the xylophone and metallophone, and the range of selections he was able to give on these instruments, astonished as well as charmed by the sound and tone.

The zimbal, in appearance, is very much like a spinet with the covers lifted, and in that lively composition, Bizet's Carmen Fantasy, developed a resonance and cadence very pleasing to the ear.

The xylophone is a much more familiar instrument, and in the hands of Professor Barma was an excellent medium of entertainment. The metallophone on which he also demonstrated, is a variation of the same musical principle. His introduction of glasses filled with water at different levels to produce a whole range of tones when slightly struck with sticks, introduced a humorous touch into the entertainment.

Professor Barma was enthusiastically applauded for his various contributions.

Oriental, national and classical dances were given by the Misses Goldin, Bella and Dot Fluye, all being well received. Miss Lubia Pecker assisted at the piano.

The concert was followed by the screening of a silent film.

Professor Barma is appearing again to-night, and there should be many present at an entertainment which, in some respects, is unique.

PALACE HOTEL "BOY" SENT TO GAOL.**THEFT FROM MANAGER AND BOARDER.**

Charges of larceny of various toilet articles, watches and a fountain pen belonging to Mr. J. S. Bench, boarder of the Palace Hotel, Mr. A. Bower, manager, and one of the Chinese staff, were brought against a "boy" employed at the Hotel, on his appearance before Mr. Hamilton, at the Kowloon Magistracy on Saturday.

The defendant's brother was charged with receiving the fountain pen, which belonged to Mr. Bower, knowing it to have been stolen.

The first defendant pleaded "guilty" and was given six months' hard labour altogether.

On conviction, his Worship fined the second defendant \$25 or one month's hard labour.

According to the evidence, the second defendant was arrested in the act of pawning the fountain pen, and when questioned, said that his brother had asked him to pawn it. On his information the hotel "boy" was arrested and the other articles, which he had taken the previous night, were found.

HONGKONG TRADE.**CONSIDERABLE BOOKING OF WOOLLENS.**

The following reports by importers have been supplied to the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce:

Cotton piece goods and fancy cotton goods.—Some of the enquiries for July/August Cottons, which appeared to be so far out a fortnight ago, are reported to have been booked. Generally speaking, there is very little new business to report. Local prices would appear to be rather firmer and deliveries continue fairly good.

The latest Cotton quotations to hand are those of the 14th inst. Middle American Spots 5.20d. Egyptian Sake F.G.F. Spots 8.20d. Indian 8.20d. Further considerable bookings are reported and many of the bulk repeat lines have at last been negotiated. Rather a big proportion of the orders during the last fortnight has been placed on Bradford goods which were somewhat neglected earlier in the season in favour of Continental qualities. Although it is not shown to any extent in the price for "Tops," both the Bradford and Continental prices are subject to considerable reductions over those ruling a fortnight ago.

Metals.—Market dull. Home and local prices down.

Flour.—Stock: American 450,000 bags, Canadian 80,000 bags, Australian 40,000 bags. Market: Weak.

700 HOUSES ABLAZE.**JAPANESE LOSS ESTIMATED AT SEVERAL MILLION YEN.**

Tokyo, May 16.

Seven hundred houses were destroyed by fire in Matsumoto City, in the "Lafayette Hearn Country." Many hotels were gutted and the damage is estimated at several million yen. It is believed that there are no casualties.—Reuter.

LAWN BOWLS LEAGUE.**K.C.C. TEAMS CONTINUE SUCCESS.**

Continuing the good form displayed the previous week, both the Kowloon Cricket Club teams in the Lawn Bowls League won on Saturday, and remain the only club possessing the full complement of points from matches played. The senior team accomplished an excellent performance in visiting Taikuo and winning by five shots.

DIVISION I.**Kowloon's Successful Visit to Taikuo.**

The Kowloon Cricket Club enjoyed a successful excursion to Taikuo, accomplishing the excellent feat of beating the North Point team by five shots, thus gaining their second outright win of the season.

Scores:

Talkeen R.C.	Kowloon C.C.
G. McLeod	P. T. Farrell
S. Amey	H. Overy
W. Wells	F. Goodwin
J. Ferguson	23 J. C. Lyall
J. Chapman	H. Hampton
J. Sloan, Jr.	C. J. Taechi
J. Russell	W. Hyde
R. C. Wallace	16 A. Hyde-Lay
T. Stanton	E. C. Fincher
J. C. Polson	J. Howe
J. Laing	J. Hyde
N. Drummond	17 A. E. Silkstone

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Craigengower v. Police R.C.

The Police were no match for Craigengower C.C., whom they visited, and suffered defeat by 20 shots. On the first rink, the Cricket Club had a margin of 16 shots in their favour.

Scores:

Craigengower.	Police R.C.
A. E. Coates	1. Mist
W. Gill	Alexander
E. Arculli	J. Kirby
U. M. Omar	28 F. E. Booker
G. L. Buchanan	W. Clarke
A. A. Razack	E. Goolding
W. T. Brightman	W. McHardy
R. Baan	13 J. C. West
P. J. Neves	J. Johnson
M. A. R. Souza	A. Reynolds
L. E. Lammett	W. Mal
C. S. Rossetti	26 A. J. Johnson
	67 41

K.B.G.C. v. Civil Service.

Entertaining the Civil Service, the Kowloon Bowling Green Club secured the spoils by nine shots, the fortunes of the game fluctuating to a remarkable degree.

Scores:

Bowling Green.	Civil Service.
R. S. Nichol	S. Randle
T. W. West	S. E. Alderman
G. E. Roylance	A. H. Oswick
D. F. Warren	11 J. Gregory
G. J. Chambers	F. Jones
A. K. Taylor	H. Westlake
E. W. L. Hogbin	J. Denkin
L. Guy	26 J. H. Hoddle
Recreio v. Kowloon Dock R.C.	12

Recreio were the hosts at King's Park, and overwhelmed the Dock team by 24 points.

Scores:

Recreio.	Kowloon Dock.
A. S. Gomes	H. G. Cooper
R. R. Roberts	G. Henderson
L. R. Souza	J. Puncheon
R. F. Luz	19 F. Cullen
Dr. R. A. C. Basto	V. Ramsey
A. H. Basto	J. Kempton
C. A. Lopes	W. Hedley
C. G. Silva	30 R. Lapsley
J. Alves	C. Atkinson
E. L. Barros	J. A. Lindsay
P. Yanovich	F. C. Goodman
C. E. Marques	11 J. Brown

60 30

DIVISION II.

K.C.C. Win and Remain at Head of the Table.

The Recreio visitors to the Kowloon Cricket Club, proved no match for the League leaders, and lost by the wide margin of 30 shots.

Scores:

Kowloon C.C.	Recreio.
O. B. Raven	A. Xavier
A. C. Burford	E. Remedios
L. J. Blackburn	32 F. X. Silva
J. Jack	8
H. Gittins	F. Xavier
L. Jack	J. J. Unato
W. W. Hirat	18 V. Burros
V. C. Labrun	31 F. X. Soares
	12
J. S. Dinnen	F. Prata
T. W. Carr	J. M. S. Rosario
F. G. Horridge	F. V. Ribeiro
J. P. Robinson	24 J. G. Ozorio
	23
	44

Civil Service v. Craigengower.

Craigengower paid a fruitless visit to the Civil Service, conceding the points at stake by 20 shots.

Scores:

Civil Service C.C.	Craigengower.
P. E. Knight	F. Flinner
N. Babbington	W. V. Field
R. R. Wood	17 A. L. de Souza
W. E. Holland	21
W. Lockhart	W. R. McBride
J. Shand	R. Smith
A. Murphy	W. V. White
H. E. Strange	32

TOO MUCH TIN.

FURTHER REDUCTION OF OUTPUT DECIDED.

The Hague, May 10.
A further reduction in the output of tin has been recommended by the International Tin Committee, composed of representatives from British Malaya, Dutch East Indies, and Bolivia, who are meeting at the Colonial Department here. The conference was of the unanimous opinion that a further reduction in the output of the participating countries, of at least 20,000 tons (15.9 per cent of the present quota), a year was essential to secure the object of the present scheme, which aims at securing a reasonable equilibrium between production and consumption with a view to preventing severe rapid oscillations of price.

The committee agreed to communicate this opinion to the participating Governments and recommended that this minimum reduction should be put into force at the earliest agreed date. It agreed to publish monthly export figures of the Government concerned.

The questions of research and development were referred to a sub-

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India	3,835
Kowloon	10,900
Mongkok	25,597
Shimuwang	5,870
St. John's College	451
Chinese Y.M.C.A. (Kowloon)	14,710
Chinese Athletic Assn.	2,459
Motor Drivers' Assn.	1,481
Victoria Nursing	170
Y. W. C. A. Nursing	622
Un Long	1,188
Total	87,860

committee composed of Sir John Campbell, Mr. Vanderbrook, of Holland, and Señor Martinez Vargas, of Bolivia.—Reuter.

ECONOMIC DEBATE.

FRENCH MEMORANDUM ON CUSTOMS UNION.

Geneva, May 16.
A Memorandum describing the proposed Austro-German customs union as illegal was produced by M. Briand, of France, at to-day's meeting of the Commission of the European Union.

The issuing of the Memorandum was preceded by a spirited debate between M. Briand and Dr. Curtius, the German Minister, in which the question of European economics figured largely.

M. Briand's Memorandum proposes that instead of the over production of grain in Eastern and Central Europe being eased by preferential tariffs, that firstly there should be industrial co-operation for the benefit of manufacturing countries, and secondly that the lack of capital in Eastern and Central Europe should be remedied by financial co-operation. It especially suggests a system of international agricultural credits in this respect. The third proposal is that State loans be floated under the League of Nations control.

Franco-German Duel.

In the sensational Franco-German duel, Dr. Curtius, told the Commission that the cutting up of Europe into many new States was the chief cause of the economic crisis. He advocated customs unions in various countries as a remedy.

M. Briand, replying, bluntly referred to the proposed Austro-German Customs union and said: "We must avoid anything causing opposition, anxiety, or menace in Europe."

M. Briand strongly disagreed with the contention that the crisis was due to Customs boundaries, and asserted that high tariffs were a part of the effects of this crisis, and not part of the cause.

The Commission was stirred by this clash. M. Litvinoff (Russia) was especially attentive.

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CHIANG TO FIGHT.

WILL LEAD A CAMPAIGN AGAINST CANTON.

Nanking, May 17.
The plans of Marshal Chiang Kai-shek for the organisation of an anti-Canton military campaign have been officially announced, the Government declaring that the decision of the State Council to settle the Canton political situation by peaceful means has had to be abandoned.

Marshal Chiang will personally lead his own Divisions, proceeding from Hunan Province, hoping for an early encounter with the "Iron-side" and Kwangsi armies. The latest decision, coming as it does immediately on the conclusion of the National Convention, confirms the previous supposition that the Nanking Government's mild attitude towards Canton during the previous two weeks was part of a plan to prevent the break up of the Convention.

Chang Hsueh-liang's Post.

In order to ensure a continuation of the Nanking-Manchurian alliance, Marshal Chiang Kai-shek has requested General Chang Hsueh-liang, head of the Manchurian Government now visiting Nanking, to remain and assume the post of Acting-President while Marshal Chiang is absent.

Representatives of the Central Government have gone to Shanghai and are negotiating with the China Merchants and other shipping companies for the use of twenty steamers for troop transportation purposes.

The steamers are expected to arrive at Nanking to-morrow, and will convey the first Nationalist soldiers and a large quantity of arms and ammunition to Hunan.

GOLD AND SILVER.

CANADA INTERESTED IN DARLING PLAN.

Ottawa, May 16.
The establishment of a "super Bank of the Empire" for the stabilisation of the bimetal currency of the British Empire was proposed by Mr. J. F. Darling in an address before the Banking and Commerce Committee of the Dominion House of Commons to-day.

Mr. Darling suggested that the British Empire should take the lead in the world movement to solve international currency questions, and stabilise the price of silver relative to gold currency. Also, Mr. Darling believed, such a Bank should establish a permanent equilibrium between the values of gold and silver.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Bennett, had several interviews with Mr. Darling, probably on the question of the stabilisation of the bimetal currency, which will be submitted by Canada as one of the most important items on the agenda of the Imperial Economic Conference in August.—Reuter.

Japan Unwilling.

Tokyo, May 16.
A meeting of officials of leading Japanese business men, called by Mr. Inouye, Minister of

CONSIGNEES' NOTICES.

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OBITUARY.

VETERAN WHO RECALLED INDIAN MUTINY.

We regret to have to record the death of Mr. Reuben Ezra, which occurred at the Government Civil Hospital on Saturday night.

Over 80 years of age, the late Mr. Ezra was a well-known figure in the local Jewish community. He was born in India, and lived through the troublous times of the Mutiny, which he recollects well.

In the early 90's, Mr. Ezra came to Hongkong, and had been a continuous resident here since. He was at one time employed in the firm of David Sassoon and Co., but transferred his activities to the local share market, and made a substantial fortune, only to lose it in the crash of 1923-1924. The resulting shock affected his health, and he had been ailing since. The end came after a protracted spell of illness. The grand old man of the Jewish community, his death is mourned by all who came into contact with him.

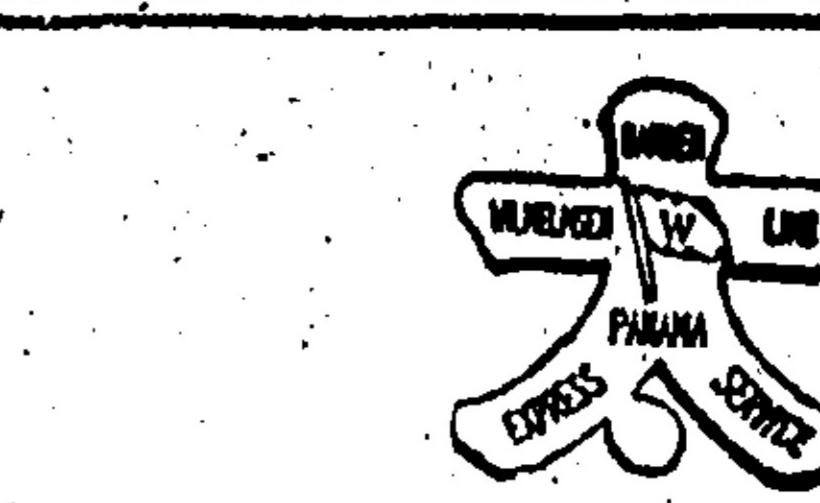
Deceased leaves two sons, both sexagenarians, who it is understood are carrying on business in India.

The funeral of the late Mr. Ezra took place yesterday afternoon, the remains being interred in the Jewish Cemetery at Wong Nek-hong, in the presence of a number of friends. Rabbi Eleazar performed the last rites.

Finance, to discuss the silver question, informally decided that various circumstances rendered it undesirable for Japan to undertake the promotion of a world silver conference.

Among the reasons given was that Japan is averse to accepting responsibility for promoting a conference whose success is regarded as extremely doubtful.

After considering the views of this meeting, the Government is expected to inform America of its unwillingness to promote such a conference.—Reuter.



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*KASHMIR	8,985	6th June.	M'les, L'don, Hull, Rotterdam & Antwerp
RANPUR	16,601	20th June.	Bombay, M'les & L'don
*KASHGAR	9,005	4th July.	M'les, L'don, R'dm & A'worp
RAWALPINDI	16,619	18th July.	Bombay, M'les & L'don
*PERIM	7,648	23rd July.	M'les, London, H'burg, Rotterdam & Antwerp
*HYBRI	9,114	1st Aug.	M'les, L'don, R'dm & A'worp
*SOMALI	—	8th Aug.	H'burg, M'les & L'don
RAJPUTANA	16,586	15th Aug.	Bombay, M'les & L'don
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SANTHIA	7,754	22nd May.	Amoy, Moji, K'po & Yoko
TALMA	10,000	4th June.	Amoy, Moji, K'po & Osaka
ST. ALBANS	4,500	5th June.	S'hai, Moji, K'po, Osaka & Yoko
KASHGAR	9,005	5th June.	S'hai, Moji, K'po & Yoko
*PERIM	7,648	10th June.	S'hai, Moji, K'po & Yoko
TAKADA	6,949	18th June.	Amoy, Moji, K'po & Osaka
RAWALPINDI	16,619	19th June.	S'hai, Moji, K'po & Yoko
*SOMALI	—	27th June.	S'hai, Moji, K'po & Yoko

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